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Havana, October 22 (RHC)-- Cuban Laina Perez placed 26th on Friday in the 25-meter (m) pistol, in the qualifying phase of precision shooting, corresponding to the World Championship of sport shooting to be held in Cairo, Egypt, until October 27th.

Perez, gold medalist in the 10-meter air pistol at the Pan American Games in Lima 2019, scored 288 points with shots of 93, 99 and 96 units in the three series, to complete the first competitive day in that event.

Today, the Cuban athlete will try to improve her position in the rapid fire stage, in the same 25 m pistol specialty, which will define this Saturday the finalists who will fight for the medals.

In the precision round, the top four were Rhythm Sangwan (295), from India, followed by Bulgaria's Antoaneta Kostadinova with the same score; Greece's Anna Korakaki and Lithuania's Gabriele Rankelyte added 293 scratches, according to the competition's official website.

In this initial round, 91 pistoleras were presented, of which two were disqualified, so 89 are still in competition.

For Cuba, Leuris Pupo, London 2012 Olympic champion and silver medal winner in Tokyo 2020, will make his debut this Saturday in the 25-meter rapid fire pistol.

Also in that modality will be Jorge Felix Alvarez, winner in Lima 2019 and owner of the bronze metal at the World Cup in Munich, Germany, in 2018, in addition to Jorge Grau, individual and mixed team gold in the 10 m air pistol in the Peruvian capital.

Also making up the Cuban delegation in Cairo are shooters Dianelys Perez and Alexander Moleiro, along with coaches Meinardo Torres, Dariel Suarez and Yoleixis Lois.

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