

Cuba keeps good pace in Online Chess Olympiad

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The Caribbean players defeated Jamaica 5-1 on Friday, then 3.5-2.5 to Guatemala, and despite losing 2-4 to Ecuador in the farewell match, they remain second in their section with 10 points out of a possible 12.

The first place is now occupied by Colombia, which took advantage of the day to get wins over Ecuador, El Salvador and Chile, and reach 12 points.

Individually, Yaniela Forgás once again showed the best pace. The Santiago native obtained victories in the two games in which she took part and now has five successes in the same number of appearances.

Lelys Martínez and José Avelino Álvarez, the latter one of the U-20 players called up, accumulated good scores of four points each, according to the statistics of www.chess-results.com.

For the farewell of this instance Cuba will have to face Colombia, Chile (fourth/ninth place) and Paraguay (third/ninth), so it is in their hands to take one of the top three places and ensure the ticket to the top division.

This phase will be played next weekend and will have four sections of 10 teams each. Only the top two of each bracket will advance to the matches that will define the medal division.

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