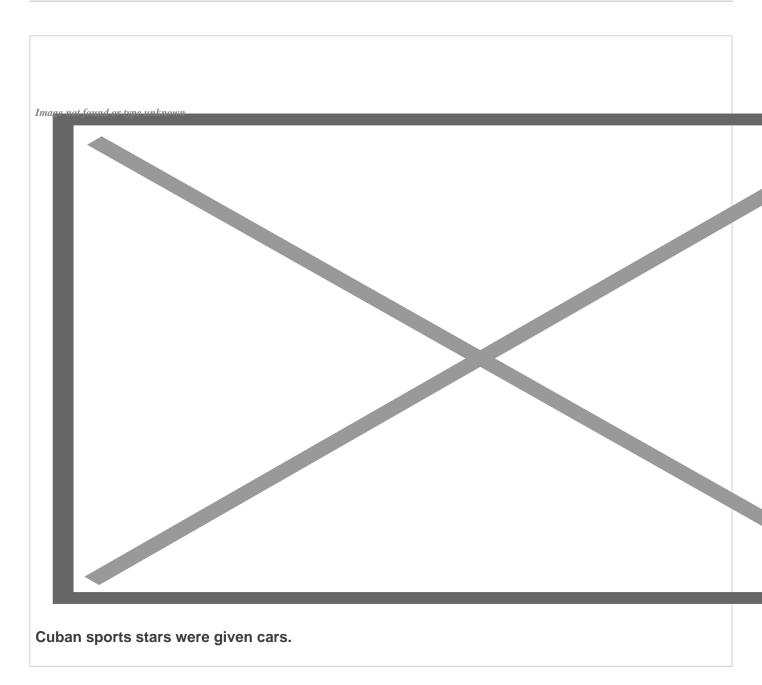
Cuban Olympic medalists were awarded with automobiles



Havana, January 13 (RHC)-- Twenty Cuban Olympic sports stars received free cars in recognition of their outstanding performance at the Tokyo-2020 Olympic Games, at the headquarters of the Institute of Sports (INDER).

Among those honored were the four-time Olympic champion in Greco-Roman wrestling, Mijaín López, the two-time boxing champion Julio César La Cruz, and the Tokyo champions in canoeing Serguey Torres and Fernando Dayán Jorge.

"To be grateful for this gesture, which became a reality in the midst of hard circumstances for the country, means recognizing once again the priority assigned to a sport that owes everything to the Revolution and to its undefeated Commander in Chief Fidel Castro Ruz," said Serguey Torres, canoeist, on behalf of those who were stimulated.

"It is equally essential to highlight the countless efforts that support the triumphs and trajectories that are being awarded today, because each medal is made with the contribution of technicians, doctors, psychologists, physiotherapists and other specialists and workers often anonymous, deserving of all our appreciation," said his colleague Fernando Dayán Jorge.

The ceremony was presided over by the head of Inder, Osvaldo Vento, who handed the keys of the cars to the champions, and the president of the National Commission of Attention to Athletes, Judith Aguila.

The other athletes recognized were boxers Andy Cruz, Arlen López and Roniel Iglesias, wrestler Luis Orta, all champions in Tokyo, and medalists Juan Miguel Echevarría, Maikel Massó and Yaimé Pérez (athletics), shooter Leuris Pupo, taekwondo Rafael Alba, judo player Idalys Ortiz and wrestler Reineris Salas.

Also the disabled athletes Omara Durand and her guide Yuniol Kindelán, Leonardo Díaz, Robiel Yankiel Sol and Leinier Savón.

Judith Águila emphasized that "the delivery of vehicles to Cuban sports personalities is, once again, an example of the appreciation and support that our government gives to the development of the sector.

An agreement of the Executive Committee of the Council of Ministers endorses that the cars are delivered free of charge to sports personalities with recognized trajectory.

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