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Havana, February 12 (RHC)-- Sevilla maintained its siege on Real Madrid, leader of the Spanish soccer league, with a 2-0 victory over Elche in round 24.

The Andalusian team, second in the championship, reached 50 points, three behind Los Merengues, thanks to goals by Argentine Alejandro Dario "Papu" Gomez in the 70th minute and Rafael Mir (75th).

The visiting club suffered its 10th setback of the tournament and was relegated to 14th position, with 26 points.

Today, Real Madrid will visit Villarreal in one of the four Saturday matches of Matchday 24 and third-placed Betis will visit Levante on Sunday.

Matchday 24 results:

Friday:

-Sevilla - Elche 2-0.

Saturday:

-Cádiz - Celta de Vigo.

-Villarreal - Real Madrid.

-Rayo Vallecano - Osasuna.

-Atlético de Madrid - Getafe.

Sunday:

-Alavés - Valencia.

-Levante - Betis.

-Real Sociedad - Granada.

-Espanyol - Barcelona.

Monday:

-RCD Mallorca - Athletic de Bilbao.

Standings:

Team PJ PG PE PP GF GC Pts.

1-Real Madrid 23 16 5 2 48 20 53.

2-Sevilla 24 14 8 2 36 16 50.

3-Betis 23 12 4 7 41 27 40.

4-Barcelona 22 10 8 4 36 25 38.

5-Atlético de Madrid 22 10 6 6 38 30 36.

6-Villarreal 23 9 8 6 38 23 35.

7-Real Sociedad 22 9 8 5 22 21 35.

8-Athletic of Bilbao 23 8 10 5 23 18 34.

9-Rayó Vallecano 22 9 4 9 27 24 31.

10-Valencia 23 7 9 9 7 35 36 30.

11-Celta de Vigo 23 8 6 9 28 25 30.

12-Osasuna 23 7 8 8 8 22 27 29.

13-Espanyol 23 7 6 6 10 27 32 27.

14-Elche 24 6 8 8 10 26 33 26.

15-Getafe 23 6 7 7 10 20 23 25.

16-Granada 23 5 9 9 9 26 34 24.

17-RCD Mallorca 22 5 8 9 19 34 23.

18-Cádiz 23 3 3 9 11 20 38 18.

19-Alavés 23 4 5 5 14 17 38 17.

20-Levante 22 1 8 13 21 46 11.

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