

# *Alazanes of Granma in pursuit of the title at the Haarlem Tournament*

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**Alazanes de Granma**

Havana, July 7 (RHC) -- Experienced manager Carlos Martí said that the newly crowned Cuban baseball champion, Alazanes de Granma, is aiming for first place in the Haarlem baseball tournament, which will be played by six teams from July 8 to 15.

Speaking to colleague Guillermo Rodríguez, Martí considered that the team has quality players, especially after acquiring several reinforcements and made it clear that the goal is to win the title.

The Cuban national team traveled on Wednesday in two groups to the venue and will make its debut in the tournament on Saturday against the host Netherlands. It will then face Japan, the United States, Curacao and Italy.

The tournament, known as the Haarlem Baseball Week, will be a round-robin between the six participants. The top four will play in the semifinals on July 14, with the winners of the semis going for the gold a day later.

Cuba has won the Haarlem tournament five times, most recently in 2012.

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