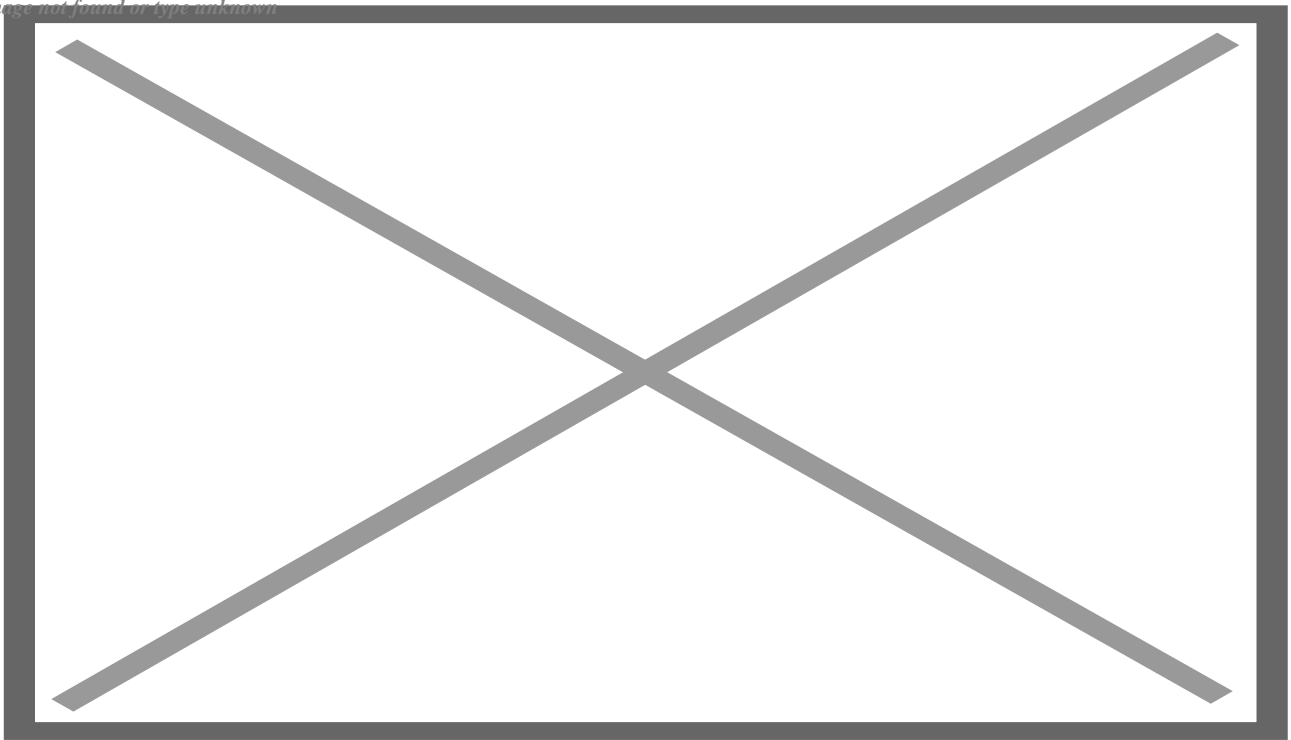


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Havana, August 4 (RHC) - Cuban Yarisleidis Cirilo continues to shine at the World Canoe Championship in Halifax, Canada. This Thursday she won her qualifying heat of the C-1 200 meters.

20 years old and double world medalist in Copenaghe-2021, with her victory Cirilo advanced directly to the final A of the event scheduled for Sunday.

The Tokyo-2020 Olympic finalist won the fastest canoeing event with 46.52 seconds, ahead of China's Wenjun Lin (46.59) and USA's Nevin Harrison (46.87). All three qualified directly to the A final, where experts consider the Cuban as one of the candidates for the podium.

On Wednesday, the duo of Cirilo and Katherine Nuevo also dominated their qualifying heat of the C-2 500 meters and also qualified for the medal competition.

On Thursday, the other Cuban in competition, world junior champion José Ramón Pelier, was fourth in his heat of the C-1 1000 meters and will have to look for his pass to the final A in the semifinals.

Pelier clocked 4.10.87 min, in a heat won by Italian world champion Carlo Tacchini (4.01.08).

Also on Wednesday, the duo of Serguei Torres - Tokyo-2020 Olympic champion - and Tabiani Diéguez, in their international debut, qualified for Friday's semifinals by finishing fourth in their heat of the C-2 500m.

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