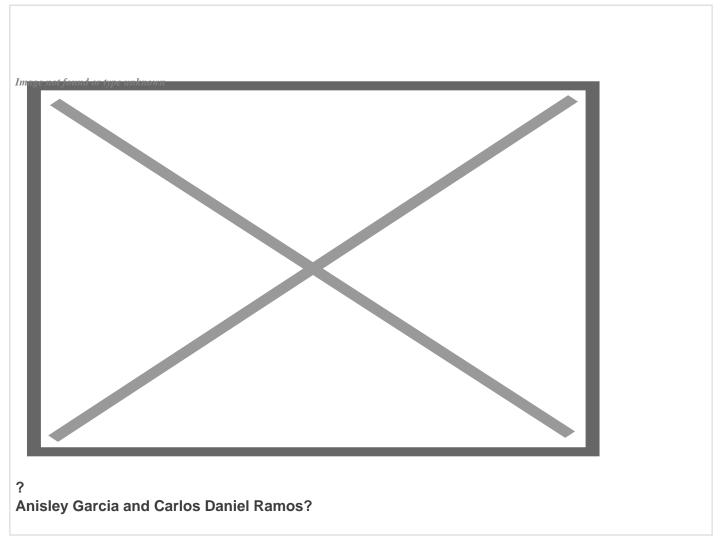
Eighth place for Cuban duo in synchro platform at Fukuoka World Championships



Havana, July 15 (RHC) - The Cuban duo of Anisley Garcia and Carlos Daniel Ramos finished in eighth place in the synchronized platform diving final at the World Aquatics Championships in Fukuoka, Japan.

With an accumulated 262.05 points, the Cubans finished eighth among the 14 pairs that competed in the direct final, whose medalists qualified for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

Wang and Zhang, from China, took the gold metal (339.54), escorted by Mexicans Jose Balleza and Viviana del Angel Peniche (313.44) and Japanese Ito and Itashi (305.34).

The Cubans came in sixth with brilliant executions that deserved high marks from the judges and the applause of the fans, but did not shine in their most complex jump - three and a half back handsprings with a high degree of difficulty of 3.5 - and fell to the eighth step.

The Fukuoka total was slightly lower than the one that gave them the subtitle at the recent Centrocaribes in San Salvador (286.08), where they were in first place until the last jump, but were displaced by the Mexican duo, now runners-up.

In the previous world championship, in Hungary, the Cuban duo had finished sixth.

At the Fukuoka World Aquatic Sports Championships, Cuba's Andy Manuel Avila signed the only advance on Friday to a final, in the artistic swimming technical solo.

The final will be disputed on Sunday.

In women's diving, Gabriela Alpajón finished 25th, while in diving, neither Anisley García, Prisis Ruiz nor Carlos Escalona were able to advance to the semifinals in the one-meter springboard.

The best performance was that of San Salvador's champion, Anisley, in 24th place, although the springboard is not her favorite event.

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