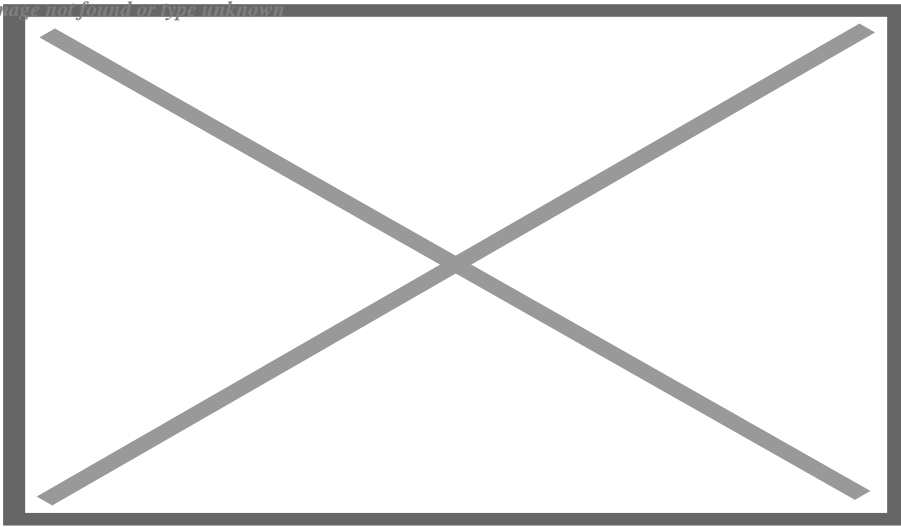


Cuba returns to Bahamas for World Relay Championships for Olympic tickets

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4x400 relay in Silesia 2021

Havana, May 3 (RHC) - The Cuban team of seventeen athletes for the World Relay Championship will travel this Friday afternoon to Nassau, Bahamas, headquarters of the competition on Saturday and Sunday.

Almost 900 athletes from 54 countries will shine at the event, in which three Cuban relays were registered: 4x100 for both sexes, and the 4x400 for women, champion in the previous edition of Silesia-2021.

Among the 17 figures who will defend the colors of Cuba are the monarchs of Silesia: Roxana Gómez, Lisneidy Veitía and Rose Mary Almanza.

The departure of the group of Cubans to the Bahamas is scheduled for 3:35 in the afternoon and arrival in Nassau around 5:40.

This Friday, at the event's technical conference, all the rosters will be made official and the draw for the five scheduled tests will be held.

The first Cuban relay to go into action on Saturday will be the 4x100 for women, champion of the Santiago 2023 Pan American Games, which will be on the track at 7:50 p.m. local.

The men's 4x100 and women's 4x400 will also compete on Saturday.

The main goal of the Cuban teams is to qualify for the Paris-2024 Olympic Games, since some members of the quartets do not arrive in the same conditions as in previous events, such as Silesia-2021 and Santiago de Chile-2023.

Some star figures have been forced to overcome injuries or health problems in a short time, which has prevented them from training to the maximum.

Among the world stars from other confirmed nations are the American Noah Lyles, the Dominican Marileidy Paulino and the Dutch Femke Bol.

The 8 finalist teams in each modality will qualify directly to Paris and the first two in each repechage series will also achieve tickets to the Olympic Games.

The remaining two positions – 16 relays are classified for each event – will be reached according to the ranking closing on June 30.

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