## Cuba-South Africa in U-18 Baseball World Cup Debut



Havana, Jun 26 (RHC) – The Cuban national team will make its debut against South Africa, in Group A, in the Under-18 Baseball World Cup to be held from September 5 to 14 in two stadiums in Okinawa, Japan.

The Caribbean team, which will be led by mentor Abeicy Pantoja, must include in its roster two players who were in the pre-World Cup tournament Panama 2024: shortstop Jonathan Moreno and catcher Yaidier Ruíz, now playing in the U-23 national series.

Twelve teams divided into two groups will participate in the tournament, scheduled to be held in Japan. In Group A, in addition to the Cubans and South Africans, will play the world's top-ranked team, Japan, South Korea, Puerto Rico, and Italy.

Group B includes Chinese Taipei, the United States, Panama, Australia, Germany, and China.

The regular stage will last five days and will consist of six matches per day.

At the end of the regular stage, there will be a rest day. After that, the top three teams in each group will compete in the Super Round, while the restaurants will compete in the Consolation Round.

The first and second-placed teams in the Super Round will compete for the gold medal on Sunday, 14.

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