Cuba bids farewell to the Women's World Boxing Championship



Havana, Mar 12 (JIT) - Setbacks by Melani Girado and Dayira Mesa marked Cuba's farewell to the Nis 2025 Women's World Boxing Championship.

Opponents owners of continental titles made use of their greater experience to win credits adjusted to the forecasts in a fight that hosted the Island's debut at such level.

Girado (57 kg), who arrived in that Serbian city with only one international bout, had celebrated in her debut due to the Tanzanian Halima Vunjabei's no-show, but she lost this Wednesday by RCS in the opening round against the Uzbek Nigina Uktamova.

With good results from the lower categories, her opponent was able to respond after receiving a count of protection, which caused the Caribbean to need three, which was definitive to stop the fight.

Mesa (75 kg), who had no previous commitments away from home, lost 0-5 against Russian Anastasia Shamonova, who has more than 70 fights and has a European subtitle in her trophy cabinet.

Cuba completed its presence with Yoana Rodriguez (81 kg), who made headlines the day before for her excellent performance against Uzbekistan's double Asian runner-up Sokhiba Ruzmetova, who beat her 3-2.

What happened corresponds to what was expected, with the sum of high-ranking friction and the experiences of these scenarios for three of the girls called to grow during the current Olympic cycle.

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