

# *President Raúl Castro Receives Russian Vice President Dimitri Rogozin*

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Havana, December 9 (RHC)-- Cuban President Raúl Castro met Thursday in Havana with Dimitri O. Rogozin, Vice President of the Russian Federation, who is here heading a delegation to the 14th session of the Cuba-Russia Intergovernmental Commission for Economic-Trade and Technical-Scientific Cooperation.

During the cordial exchange, both dignitaries reaffirmed the excellent state of relations between the two nations and expressed their willingness to consolidate Russia's participation in Cuba's medium and long term development plans.

The distinguished visitor was accompanied by Mikhail L. Kamynin, Russian ambassador to Cuba; Aleksandr V. Schetinin, director for Latin America at the Russian Foreign Ministry; and Nikita S. Anísimov, advisor to Vice President Rogozin.

Participating on the Cuban side were Vice President Miguel Díaz-Canel, Economy Minister Ricardo Cabrisas and Cuban Ambassador to Russia Emilio Lozada.

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