

# *At UN General Debate, Representatives of Foreign Nations Condemn U.S. Blockade of Cuba*

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New York, September 26 (RHC)-- During Monday's debates of the high-level segment of the 72nd Regular Session of the UN General Assembly in New York, representatives from countries like Venezuela, Nicaragua, Angola, Uruguay, Mozambique and East Timor condemned the anti-Cuba rhetoric of the Trump administration and demanded the lifting of Washington's blockade policy toward the Caribbean state.

According to Prensa Latina news agency, Venezuelan Minister of Foreign Affairs Jorge Arreaza condemned all unilateral sanctions implemented against Cuba by successive U.S. administrations for over half a century, as well as the decision of the current U.S. administration to further extend those sanctions rather than completely lift them, as demanded by the vast majority of the international community represented at the UN General Assembly.

Nicaragua's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs María Rubiales described Washington's economic siege against Cuba as 'cruel, inhumane and criminal.'

Meanwhile, Angolan Ambassador to the UN Gaspar Ismael Martins pointed to the hardships caused by the U.S. blockade to the Cuban people.

During Monday's final session of the high-level forum, attended by 110 heads of state and government, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uruguay Rodolfo Nin Novoa, and the permanent representatives from Mozambique, Antonio Gumande, and East Timor's María Helena Pires, also called on the administration of President Donald Trump to lift the U.S. blockade of Cuba.

In all, official representatives from more than 30 countries expressed their rejection of the U.S. anti-Cuba policy over this past UN General Assembly High-level Week. They included Bolivia, Russia, Vietnam, Ecuador, Costa Rica, South Africa, The Bahamas, Jamaica, Tanzania, El Salvador, Namibia, Vanuatu, Tuvalu, Gabon and Guinea Bissau.

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