

# *Granma newspaper blasts Bolsonaro for encouraging desertion in Brazil of Cuban medical personnel*

The screenshot shows the Granma newspaper website. At the top left is the Granma logo. To its right, it says "LA HABANA, 21 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2018" and "ÓRGANO OFICIAL DEL COMITÉ CENTRAL DEL PARTIDO COMUNISTA DE CUBA". On the far right, it says "ULTIMA ACTUALIZACION 17:07:11". Below the header is a navigation bar with categories: PORTADA, CUBA, MUNDO, DEPORTES, CULTURA, OPINIÓN, CIENCIA, SALUD, ESPECIALES. A search bar is on the right. The main article is titled "Bolsonaro, Más Médicos y un déjà vu" with a sub-headline: "Durante más de una década, el Programa de Parole, creado en el 2006 por George W. Bush, alentó a personal cubano de la Salud que colaborara en terceros países a abandonar sus misiones y emigrar a Estados Unidos". The author is Lisandra Fariñas Acosta. To the right of the article is a photo of Cuban medical staff with the caption "Gracias por la vida". Below the article is a tweet from Miguel Díaz-Canel Bermúdez (@DiazCanelB) mentioning the "Escuela Latinoamericana de Medicina" and the "Escuela Latinoamericana de Ciencias Médicas". To the right of the tweet is a photo of President-elect Jair Bolsonaro with the caption "Gira Internacional del Presidente". At the bottom right, there is a "SUGERENCIAS" section with a list of countries: Federación de Rusia, República Socialista de Vietnam, República Popular Democrática de Corea, República Popular China, República Democrática Popular de Laos.

Havana, November 21 (RHC)-- Cuba's Granma newspaper warns that encouraging the desertion of Cuban doctors in Brazil is the intent of the policy of President-elect Jair Bolsonaro, who affirmed that he will offer political asylum to professionals who do not wish to return to the Caribbean nation.

An article published on Wednesday in Granma newspaper decries what Bolsonaro has done by dynamiting the More Doctors Program, and with it the guarantee of access to quality health for millions of Brazilians. In this respect, the newspaper recalls many other attacks from the regional right on Cuban international collaboration.

The Cuban newspaper warns that this sabotage is clearly in line with U.S. foreign policy, and compares it with the Parole Program for Cuban Medical Professionals, a migratory scheme of the United States Government that lasted for several years.

The article cites a paper by a professor of the Center for Hemispheric Studies and the United States of the University of Havana, Ernesto Domínguez, who states that the intention of such policies is to damage the cooperative efforts of Cuba, reduce the exit of money in the form of payments for those programs and expel the doctors and other medical professionals from the country.

Domínguez argues in his paper that the situation can not be completely explained outside a global analysis, which considers structural inequalities, migratory networks, world politics, especially the asymmetry in the distribution of power, and the hegemony of Western and cultural media.

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