

# *Cuba makes progress in the attention of children and youth*

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New York, June 12 (RHC)-- In spite of the restrictions derived from the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed by the United States against Cuba, the island advances in programs for the protection of children and adolescents.

This was explained by the Deputy Permanent Representative of Cuba to the UN, Ana Silvia Rodríguez, at the annual meeting of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

The diplomat affirmed that although the U.S. siege has been reinforced by the recent application of Title III of the Helms-Burton Act, Cuba continues to make progress in the implementation of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda and the protection of its population, especially the youngest.

Prensa Latina reports that the diplomat also referred to the rights of children and adolescents enshrined in the new Constitution of the Republic of Cuba, approved on April 10, 2019.

Rodríguez also referred to the positive results of the UNICEF program on the island, whose objectives are in accordance with the National Economic and Social Development Plan of Cuba until 2030.

Cuba reaffirmed its support for the work of UNICEF, a United Nations agency committed to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the promotion of the welfare of the world's children, particularly those who still live in extreme poverty.

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