

# *Cuban foreign minister meets with UN High Commissioner of Human Rights*

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Geneva, February 25 (RHC)-- The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cuba, Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla, met this Tuesday with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, during the 43rd regular session of the Human Rights Council.

During the meeting, the Cuban foreign minister ratified to the High Commissioner the commitment of the Cuban government to the promotion and protection of all human rights for all, while he informed Bachelet about the intensification of the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed by the United States against Cuba and its negative effects on the human rights of the Cuban people.

Bruno Rodríguez also denounced the U.S. campaign against Cuba's medical cooperation with other countries and highlighted the international recognition of this cooperation and its impact on the right to health of millions of people in the world.

In a respectful atmosphere, other issues of common interest in the area of human rights were reviewed, as well as Cuba's permanent willingness to cooperate with the United Nations procedures and mechanisms in the area of human rights, which have universal application, on a non-discriminatory basis,

with strict respect for the island's sovereignty and with recognition of the right to self-determination.

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