

# *Cuba highlights increase in U.S. government aggressiveness towards the island*

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Havana, June 1 (RHC)-- Carlos Fernández de Cossío, Director of U.S. Affairs for the Cuban Foreign Ministry, said that the future of his country's ties with the United States will depend on what the political class and other sectors allow the White House to do.

In an exclusive interview with Prensa Latina news agency, the ambassador also disqualified the inclusion of the Caribbean island on a list of nations that allegedly do not collaborate in the fight against terrorism.

Fernandez de Cossío pointed out that broad sectors of U.S. society and many politicians from both the Democrat and Republican parties embraced the rapprochement with Cuba that took place between 2015 and 2016 -- a step that they considered positive for U.S. foreign policy.

"Therefore, this government and its conduct can go as far as those groups and segments within the United States allow," he said.

On the subject of the terrorist attack on the Cuban Embassy in Washington last April 30th and, paradoxically, the White House's decision to place the island on a questionable list, the diplomat stressed

that it was a "weak and mendacious" pretext.

"There are bilateral agreements signed in recent years under which there are concrete manifestations, some recent, of cooperation with the U.S. government in the fight against terrorism. Some of the examples are very beneficial, especially for the United States," he commented.

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