Cuban medical brigade that worked in Italy returns to Havana



Milan, June 8 (RHC)-- The first Cuban medical brigade of the Henry Reeve Contingent which served in Italy returns to Havana on Monday. They arrived in Italy on March 22nd to join the efforts to contain COVID-19 in Lombardy, in the midst of a severe health crisis, according to Cubaminrex.

The Cuban brigade left from the Italian city of Milan, where they were seen off by representatives of the Lombardy Region, the Cuban Embassy to Italy, as well as the solidarity movement and the Cubans living in that nation.

The 36 doctors and 15 nurses who make up the brigade, during the two months of humanitarian work in the city of Crema, served with great professional rigor and personal dedication.

According to local media reports, all of the Cuban medical personnel are returning with the satisfaction of "mission accomplished" and the recognition of the Italian authorities and population in general, especially from the Italian region of Lombardy.

As recently reported by the Minister of Public Health, José Ángel Portal Miranda, Cuba has sent 34 medical brigades of the Henry Reeve Contingent to 27 countries, at the request of authorities from those nations.

These medical brigades have so far attended to more than 61,000 patients infected with SARS-Cov2, in addition to the more than 35,000 people who have received the services of another 59 brigades working abroad before the COVID-19 pandemic was declared in March.

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