

United Kingdom thanks Cuban medical brigades in overseas territories



Havana, June 26 (RHC)-- The British Ambassador to Cuba, Antony Stokes, thanked the Caribbean country for its support in strengthening medical care in Anguilla, where a health brigade arrived Friday to support the battle against COVID-19.

In a message posted on his Twitter account, the diplomat recalled that another group of Cubans will begin work on Monday in the Turks and Caicos Islands, also a territory of the European nation.

Stokes thanked the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Public Health of Cuba for responding to the administrations of Anguilla and Turks and Caicos Islands with the support of the United Kingdom.

"The Cuban staff will help strengthen medical care at a time of increased pressure," the British representative said in his message. Shortly before, the British embassy in Havana recalled that London worked on the necessary coordination following the requests made to Cuba.

The UK government has worked closely with Cuba on the global response to COVID-19, he added. "In March, we collaborated to repatriate passengers and crew members of the Braemar. We appreciate

Cuban medical assistance to combat the pandemic in our overseas territories," the diplomatic representation recalled in its message.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, Cuba has sent some 30 brigades from the Henry Reeve Contingent to countries that requested support to control the epidemic. This Friday, three new groups left for Anguilla, Guinea Bissau and Martinique.

According to official figures, more than 2,600 members arrived in more than 20 countries in Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, Europe and the Middle East amid the scourge of the new coronavirus.

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