

# *Outstanding Cuban journalist Lázaro Barredo passes away*

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Havana, August 5 (RHC) – Cuban journalist Lázaro Barredo, who ran the Granma newspaper from Nov 2005 through October 2013, a founder of the Mesa Redonda TV show and a regular contributor to Cubadebate has died of a cardiovascular condition.

He was the Director of Granma, the newspaper of the Cuban Communist Party for eight years, during which, on March 14, 2008 he created the section Cartas a la Dirección (Letters to the Director) as a link with readers and their institutions.

His sagacity as a journalist led him to deal with different national and international current affairs, standing out in the economic approach and, particularly, US-Cuba relations. He did it from the pages of Juventud Rebelde, when he was a correspondent in Matanzas, and later as deputy director of the youth newspaper.

His outstanding work in the Cuban press also led him to occupy the position of vice president of the Cuban Journalist Association –UPEC- in 1986, a columnist for international politics in the Trabajadores newspaper, and he currently worked in the Bohemia magazine. He was an outstanding and habitual panelist of the TV Mesa Redonda (Round Table) from its establishment until today.

He shared his passion for reporting from all those media outlets with the honor of serving his people, first from the condition of People's Power base delegate and, from 1993 to the last legislature, as a deputy to the National People's Power Assembly. Barredo was elected delegate to the 6th Party Congress.

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