

Italy sends medical supplies to assist victims of the fire in Matanzas

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Havana, August 25 (RHC)-- The Italian government will send Cuba a donation of medicines and medical supplies to help assist those injured in the fire in the industrial zone of Matanzas.

The Cuban ambassador in Rome, Mirta Granda Averhoff, highlighted on Twitter that this humanitarian aid contains approximately 2.3 tons of goods and is being carried out through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in coordination with the Department of Civil Protection.

A statement from the Foreign Ministry of the European country said that this donation is departing from the United Nations Humanitarian Emergency Response Base in Brindisi and is a support to the Cuban authorities for the assistance to the victims of the accident.

On August 5, the impact of an electrical discharge caused a fire in a fuel tank at the Matanzas Supertanker Base, and the flames spread to other tanks.

This incident, considered the most significant industrial accident in Cuba, caused 16 deaths and more than a hundred injured.

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