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Havana, Jan 5 (RHC)-- U.S. activist Gerry Condon said Thursday that the U.S. blockade is an act of terrorism against Cuba.

This is an illegal, immoral action and has been condemned by most of the world, including the United Nations General Assembly, added the coordinator of a group of Americans who traveled to Cuba as part of the Veterans for Peace and Golden Rule initiatives.

One of the purposes of this trip to island is to show solidarity with the Cuban people and learn about their reality to inform other Americans about it and ask the authorities for a policy change.

Condon said that the initiative he is coordinating will travel along the East Coast of the United States and when they visit New York and Washington they will demand a policy of peace for Cuba.

He added that recently the U.S. Consulate in Havana expanded its services and called on President Joseph Biden and Congress to continue these initiatives and take other steps in the normalization of relations.

The anti-war veteran explained that coming to Cuba was made possible by a change in U.S. government policy, which granted them a special license to travel to the archipelago to learn about its culture and people.

He pointed out that they chose Cuba as their destination to remind the world that 60 years ago a nuclear conflict almost broke out due to the hostility of the United States against the Cuban Revolution.

He noted that the island nation was one of the first to sign the United Nations Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, which has not yet been signed by any of the countries that possess nuclear weapons.

It is ironic that the Caribbean archipelago is accused of sponsoring terrorism and is included in a list that hinders its international insertion when what it does is to defend its sovereignty and send brigades of solidarity doctors to other countries, he added.

Golden Rule sailed with pacifist motives for the first time in 1958 to stop U.S. nuclear tests in the atmosphere, which served as inspiration for other movements and ships.

The organization Veterans for Peace was founded in 1985 by ex-military personnel who had participated in armed conflicts to propose alternatives to wars. (Source: PL)

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