

# *Challenges and achievements of the Cuban Revolution exposed in Uruguay*

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Havana, March 21 (RHC) Cuba continues to bet on the socialist model with social justice as an alternative to capitalism, according to Edelys Santana, official of the Department of International Relations of the Communist Party of the island.

Invited by the Rodney Arismendi Foundation and the Uruguayan Communist Party, Santana spoke the day before at the Montevideo City Hall, before an audience in solidarity with their country.

She highlighted the resistance of her people against the blockade imposed by the United States, which she described as a genocidal policy and the main obstacle to the economic and social development of the Antillean nation. She emphasized that the siege was particularly intense and inhumane in the toughest moments in which Cuba had to face the Covid-19 pandemic, and praised the effort to design vaccines and immunize the population despite the shortcomings and obstacles caused by the blockade.

Santana recalled that in such circumstances, 58 Cuban medical brigades were deployed in more than 40 countries and territories to help face the pandemic.

She denounced the subversive war her country is suffering with campaigns of hate and disinformation that seek to sow division among the population.

Despite this, she emphasized, Cuba is preparing to elect the deputies of the National Assembly of People's Power on March 26, in another exercise, he said, of democratic participation of the population.

The conference was attended by Juan Castillo, general secretary of the Communist Party of Uruguay; Zulán Popa, Cuban ambassador, Popa's counterparts from Bolivia and Venezuela; and Russian diplomats.

For her part, Ambassador Popa summarized the challenges that await her country, as well as the achievements in the battle for development and against the blockade, in which she recognized the support her country has had from the Uruguayan communists and other peoples of the world. (Source: Prensa Latina)

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