

Growing Rejection of U.S. Blockade of Cuba at United Nations



United Nations, September 27 (RHC)-- El Salvador, Namibia, Trinidad-Tobago, Dominica and Guyana have joined their voices at the UN General Assembly to the international demand to lift the over-50-year U.S. economic, commercial and financial blockade of Cuba.

Guyanese President Donald Rabindranauth Ramotar said at the session that once again, his country joins the overwhelming majority of nations of the world calling for the end of the economic blockade imposed by the United States against the island.

El Salvador's head of state Salvador Sanchez Ceren said that the blockade is contrary to the current efforts to achieve development based on inclusion and equity, which is the main topic of the debate this year at the General Assembly.

Meanwhile, Dominica's Charles Angelo Savarin said that the U.S. blockade is at the center of concern for the Caribbean, and Trinidad Tobago's Kamla Persad-Bissessar said the blockade undermines the collective aspirations for a post-2015 development agenda.

And Namibian President Hifikepunye Pohamba demanded the lifting of U.S. sanctions against Cuba and its blacklisting by the U.S. State Department as a so-called sponsor of international terrorism. "It is not justifiable and cannot be accepted," he stressed.

Venezuela, Bolivia, South Africa, Antigua and Barbuda, Sri Lanka, Gabon, Ghana, Peru, Tanzania, Gambia and Chad all expressed their rejection of Washington's blockade of Cuba during the first three days of debates at the UN General Assembly.

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