

# *Belize and Cuba celebrate 29 years of friendly ties*

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Belmopan, July 15 (RHC) Belize and Cuba are celebrating 29 years of diplomatic relations, which stand out for the continuous strengthening of friendship and cooperation both at the government level and between their peoples.

In commemoration of the date, the Havana embassy in Belize recalled that more than a thousand collaborators from the island have rendered their services in this country since 1990 in the fields of health, sports, construction and culture.

Currently, 88 Cuban health professionals work together with their Belizean brothers in all districts of the national territory.

According to the diplomatic mission, more than 250 young Belizeans studied in Cuba in the areas of health, sports, technical and pedagogical sciences, but also had the opportunity to get to know the people and the reality of the largest of the Antilles.

"We have always received the solidarity and friendship of the people and government of Belize; we are grateful for the generous help we received in the most difficult moments of the Covid-19 pandemic, as well as after the fire of great proportions in the supertanker base in Matanzas and later the passage of the powerful hurricane Ian through our country," the embassy said in a note.

Likewise, it reiterated its gratitude for Belmopan's support in the worldwide call to put an end to the illegal and unjust economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed by the United States against Cuba, and the call to Washington to immediately remove the island from the spurious list of countries sponsoring terrorism, since both policies severely impact the aspirations of development and welfare of the people.

The statement also referred to the fact that during the official visit to Cuba in April 2022, Prime Minister John Briceño and President Miguel Díaz-Canel, in a joint communiqué expressed the willingness of both States to strengthen their bilateral ties in several areas and ratified the historic relations between peoples and governments.

Finally, he stressed that Belize-Cuba relations "constitute an example of friendship and cooperation, demonstrating what brotherly peoples can achieve when they respect and complement each other."  
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