

*Cuba expresses appreciation for affection and support of the Cuban Revolution on Moncada anniversary*

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Havana, July 27 (RHC) -- Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez on Saturday thanked world leaders and personalities for their support of the Cuban Revolution on the occasion of the 71st anniversary of the attack on the Moncada.

On his X account, the foreign minister highlighted the displays of affection and support for the revolutionary process, triumphant on the island in January 1959, expressed on July 26 by leaders of various governments, organizations, personalities and friends of Cuba.

Congratulatory messages arrived from various regions of the world to the Cuban people for the celebration of the Day of National Rebellion that was commemorated on the 26th.

Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro and Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, along with the vice-president of that Central American country, Rosario Murillo, and other leaders of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of America-Peoples' Trade Treaty (ALBA-TCP), highlighted the importance of the historic event.

According to a statement from the regional integration bloc: "The rebellion of the Cuban people set alight the prairie fire of freedom, led by Fidel Castro to change history, with José Martí as the intellectual author of that action."

Messages of recognition were sent from Vietnam, Russia, China, Hungary, and Argentina by political leaders, social movements, and solidarity groups with the cause of the Caribbean island.

The day before, in the central province of Sancti Espíritus, the commemorative act took place for the anniversary that remembers the assault on the military fortresses Carlos Manuel de Céspedes (Granma), and Moncada, (Santiago de Cuba), both in eastern Cuba.

The leader of the Cuban Revolution, Raúl Castro, and President Miguel Díaz-Canel led the gathering of some five thousand people from Sancti Spiritus in the Plaza de la Revolución Mayor General Serafín Sánchez Valdivia.

Present at the meeting was a delegation from Vietnam, members of the European José Martí brigade for voluntary work and solidarity with Cuba and the Juan Rius Rivera brigade from Puerto Rico, as well as the Venceremos brigade from the United States.

Also on hand was a delegation of Cuban-Americans from the José Martí Cultural Society, an African-American group in solidarity with the island, and foreign students who had recently graduated from the University of Medical Sciences in Sancti Espiritus.

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