

Cubans warn that Donald Trump's second term could be worse



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Havana, January 9 (RHC)-- On the occasion of the upcoming inauguration of the elected President of the United States, Donald Trump, the multiplatform news outlet teleSUR spoke with several Cubans, who agree that a second term for the former president in the White House would be worse for the Caribbean country in numerous areas.

The interviewed Cubans stated that they expect greater restrictions in the economic scenario, which will further affect the Cuban people, as they imply a worsening of the blockade and coercive and unilateral measures.

"Nothing good can be expected from him because he left some things pending in the previous term." I imagine that with this one, it's like saying it's time for revenge, right? At least with the Cuba issue," affirmed one of the interviewees.

Similarly, they highlighted that the appointment of the Republican Marco Rubio, a politician of Cuban origin, as Secretary of State could be very complicated from a diplomatic and economic standpoint, making it imperative for Cubans to organize themselves well.

The popular concern is supported by the opinion of experts on Cuba-United States relations, such as Cuban researcher Hasán Pérez Casabona, who warns about the imminent beginning of a stage of great complexity, as it is not a figure like Barack Obama, who blurred the face of imperialism and was a representative of the so-called smart power.

"Trump embodies the entire harshness of the drama of the history of capitalism and its prediction towards Latin America as a backyard, because he despises us, because he says we are places with indescribable words, because he talks about unimaginable gigantic deportations," said Casabona, who also indicated that Trump's arrival at the White House also represents "a challenge for Latin American unity and for the ability to establish alliances."

For his part, Cuban Deputy Foreign Minister Carlos Fernández de Cossío stated that the Cuban government is concerned about "the effect that increased hostility from the United States could have on our economy and, in particular, the effect it could have on the standard of living of the population."

"The Government of the United States has proven to be very powerful and has a highly effective destructive capacity to cause harm, and we, in addition to the measures we will take to protect the population, which we take in self-defense, know that we will be able to survive," he emphasized in an interview with teleSUR.

Cuban history in recent years has shown that moments can be complex, but not insurmountable, as recently stated by Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel during the march that took place in front of the United States embassy in Havana.

In that sense, the president specified that if the U.S. government persists in its idea of undermining Cuban sovereignty, it will only find rebellion and intransigence.

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