

# *Cuban Doctors Discharge Eight Ebola Patients in Liberia*

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Havana, January 9 (NNN-Prensa Latina) -- Cuban doctors fighting against the Ebola virus in Liberia, Africa, have discharged a total of eight patients who had been admitted in a unit to treat the disease in the African country, seriously affected by the virus.

Cuban doctor Ronald Hernandez said in his personal account in Facebook that he felt pleased, and that the amount of sleepless nights or the danger to be affected by the virus, are not a concern to him.

Hernandez posted photos of the patients, in which the joy for having been recently cured is visibly shown.

"Now, more than ever, we feel great pride in being Cuban doctors, good professionals, and being here, helping the African people," Hernandez said.

Cuba sent 256 public health professionals to African countries affected by Ebola, of which 165 are in Sierra Leona, 53 in Liberia and 38 in Guinea Conakry, with a total of 32 medical brigades in Africa, which include 2,269 doctors.

Liberia and Sierra Leona have the biggest amount of deceased cases and affected people.

The World Health Organization (WHO) reported the Ebola virus has taken the lives of 8,153 people in

western Africa. There are 20,656 confirmed cases and the mortality rate of the virus is 39 percent. Up to January 3rd, Sierra Leone registered 9,772 cases; while 2,925 people have died.

Through December 31st, Liberia has reported 8,115 infected and 3,471 dead. Guinea closes the list of nations in West Africa with 2,769 infected and 767 deaths.

Some cases have also been reported in Britain, Nigeria, Spain and the United States.

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