## First Accoustic Dictionary for the Blind Receives Finishing Touches



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Santiago de Cuba, February 12 (RHC-PL) -- Specialists of the Center of Applied Linguistics (CLA) in Santiago de Cuba are preparing the first spoken dictionary for the blind in Cuba, to become a useful tool to expand the cultural horizons of people with that disability.

Leonel Ruiz, director of the CLA, reported they hope to finish that volume by July, after complicated processes of editing, in which local radio broadcasters are recording over 12 thousand entries or words.

He said that these types of dictionaries are almost non-existent in Latin America and the Caribbean. Ruiz referred to the care taken with spelling the words, the quality control to which the volume is submitted and the value the book will have because the expectation is that it may also be useful to the elderly.

He highlighted the participation of young specialists in this work that will be added to the Basic School Dictionary as a lead product of the CLA and other many texts dedicated to the teaching of Spanish and improvement of the language, including its



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