Cuba-U.S. Migration Talks Begin in Washington



Washington, November 30 (RHC)-- Government delegations from Cuba and the United States began a new round of migration talks on Monday at the U.S. State Department in Washington. The aim of the talks is to review the progress of the migration accords already in place between the two countries, and discuss cooperation in the fight against human trafficking.

A statement by the Cuban Foreign Ministry noted that the Cuban delegation, which is headed by the Director General for the United States in the Cuban Foreign Ministry, Josefina Vidal, will reiterate Cuba's strong rejection of U.S. pieces of legislation like the Cuban Adjustment Act, the so-called "wet foot-dry foot" policy, and the "Parole Program for Cuban Medical Professionals", all of which encourage illegal emigration and violate the spirit and letter of the agreements in force.

A spokesperson for the State Department, in a repeat of the U.S. position of the last few months, said that Washington's migratory policy towards Cuba would remain unchanged.

The migration issue has for decades been used by the U.S. as a tool to pressure Cuba and tarnish the island's image internationally.



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