

# *Raul Castro Meets with Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto*

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Havana, January 30 (RHC)-- Cuban President Raul Castro met with Mexican head of state Enrique Peña Nieto on Wednesday afternoon.

The two presidents corroborated the good state of bilateral relations between their countries and they reiterated their will to keep increasing bilateral exchange, particularly in trade and cooperation. They also stressed the strengthening of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States as a regional integration and coordination mechanism.

The meeting was attended by Mexican Foreign Minister Jose Antonio Meade; the Under Secretary for Latin America and the Caribbean, Vanesa Rubio, and Mexican ambassador to Havana Juan Jose Bremer.

On the Cuban side was First Vice President Miguel Diaz Canel; Foreign Minister Bruno Rodriguez and Foreign Trade and Investment minister Rodrigo Malmierca.

The Cuban president also met with Costa Rica's President Laura Chinchilla, who assumed the temporary chair of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States during the last session of the summit on Wednesday.

The two presidents addressed bilateral cooperation between their countries and the prospects of such links.

President Chinchilla was accompanied by Costa Rican Foreign Minister Jose Enrique Castillo.

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