

# *Cuban President Miguel Diaz-Canel in New York to participate in UN General Assembly*

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New York, September 24 (RHC)-- Cuban President Miguel Diaz-Canel is in New York City to attend the high level segment of the 73rd United Nations General Assembly. The Cuban leader arrived on Sunday.

“We bring the voice of Cuba, which above all comes to denounce the aberrant policy of the U:S: blockade, a policy that has already failed, and that will continue to fail. This is the longest blockade in the history of humanity”, the Cuban leader told the press upon arrival for his first visit to the United States since taking over the presidency last April.

“With all our strength, we are going to ratify that denunciation at a time when there is a reversal in relations with the United States government; when there is an administration that has returned to Cold War rhetoric and which has revitalized the Monroe Doctrine. This is an administration with which it is difficult to advance in a relationship between equals. We also come to bring the Cuba’s message of peace, solidarity, wishes and aspirations for a better world,” he said.

The Cuban president will address the UNGA Nelson Mandela Peace Summit on Monday and the General Assembly on Wednesday.

Diaz-Canel agenda´s through the week also includes encounters with UN Secretary General, Antonio Guterres, with New York Mayor Bill de Blasio, with U.S. supporters of engagement with Cuba and members of the Cuban American community.

He will also speak on Wednesday night at New York City's historic Riverside Church.

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