

# *Rejection in Belgium of an ultraright-wing campaign in European Parliament against Cuba*

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Brussels, February 4 (RHC)-- Latin American organizations and Cubans living in Belgium issued a declaration in Brussels on Tuesday, rejecting the new campaign against the Caribbean island promoted by right-wing members of the European Parliament.

In the text, they denounced the subordination of sectors of European policy to the aggressiveness of the Trump Administration towards Cuba, and its reinforcement of the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed on the island for almost 60 years.

The solidarity groups criticized the organizers of an event who brought a biased representation to a European Parliament event on Cuba.

Spanish MEP José Ramón Bauzá and the NGO Civil Rights Defenders only invited "a delegation of pro-American Cubans intending to define political actions for the European Union (EU)."

"The people invited to the European Parliament on this day are neither independent nor represent Cuban civil society. They all belong to the ultra-conservative and reactionary right. Their organizations receive money from the U.S. National Endowment for Democracy (NED)," the document warned.

Prensa Latina reports that the document asked parliamentarians if they would accept that entities financed by a hostile nation, such as the United States case towards Cuba, be the representatives of the civil society in their country.

Latin Americans and Cubans living in Belgium recalled the escalation of aggression against the island since Trump's arrival at the White House in January 2017.

They also asked those who are trying to drag the EU into a new crusade to attack Cuba whether European problems are not big enough and whether the European Parliament needs to interfere in the internal affairs of a country located 7,800 kilometers away from their location.

In the document, they reiterated their support for Cuba, which they described as a dignified country with great social concern.

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