

# *Cuba's global medical cooperation praised in Japan*

## キューバが白衣外交に熱、コロナ禍21か国に医療団...米非難「外貨稼ぎだ」「人身売買」

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新型コロナ



【リオデジャネイロ＝淵上隆悠】新型コロナウイルス世界的な感染拡大を受け、カリブ海の社会主義国キューバが、世界各地に医療団を送り込む「白衣外交」を繰り返している。米国は、キューバの外貨稼ぎにつながると主張し、いらだちを強めている。

南アフリカの首都プレトリア近郊の空軍基地に4月、キューバ医療団が到着した。医師や看護師ら計

Tokyo, May 5 (RHC)-- Cuban medical cooperation in the context of the SARS-Cov-2 coronavirus pandemic has been praised by the most popular Japanese newspaper, Yomiuri Shimbun.

In an extensive report, the newspaper published that the Caribbean nation has numerous medical brigades in various nations of the world, including Europe. The article said that these missions reinforce the health system of each of the countries where they work by treating sick people with COVID-19.

The newspaper article added that where Cuban doctors and paramedics work, they also help prevent the spread of the disease with the current world epicenter in the United States. According to World Health Organization data (2014), Cuba has a rate of 7.5 doctors per thousand inhabitants, higher than that of the United States (2.6) and Japan (2.3) put together.

Yomiuri Shimbun recognizes that the achievements of the health system of Cuba is due to the policy led by the historic leader of the Cuban Revolution, Fidel Castro. The newspaper said that after the triumph of the Cuban Revolution in January 1959, Cuba focused its efforts on health and educational improvements in every corner of the island.

The Japanese daily denounced the United States for its criticisms that qualified as 'trafficking' and 'exploitation' the treatment given by the Cuban government to its medical collaborators in the world.

The influential newspaper quoted Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel's response, referring to the U.S. accusations, which he described as "false and defamatory."

Since 2002, the Yomiuri Shimbun holds the Guinness Record as the newspaper with the highest circulation in the world, with 14,323,781 copies and a substantial part of its print run of 8.5 million, in addition to the service of its Internet page.

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