

# *Japanese academician joins the world's demand to nominate Cuban medical contingent for Nobel Peace Prize*

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**Masahiro Kudo**

Havana, January 7 (RHC)-- Japanese academician Kudo Masahiro joined personalities worldwide who are requesting the Nobel Peace Prize 2021 be awarded to the International Contingent of Doctors Specialized in

Disaster Situations and Serious Epidemics, Henry Reeve, from Cuba.

Kudo Masahiro is professor emeritus of the Tokyo University of Technology and President of the Japan-Cuba Friendship Association.

Last December, academician Yasuhiro Tokoro formally nominated the medical contingent for the Nobel Peace Prize 2021, praising its humanitarian work.

The Henry Reeve Contingent was created on September 19, 2005, by the historical leader of the Cuban Revolution, Fidel Castro, in response to the damage caused by Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, United States.

According to official data, since then, brigades of Cuban medical professionals have saved more than 90,000 lives in dozens of countries, including fighting Ebola in Africa and cholera in Haiti.

After the COVID-19 pandemic, and despite the U.S. government's slander campaigns, more than 4,000 Cuban doctors, nurses, and technicians, organized in 53 brigades, have assisted 39 affected countries and territories.

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