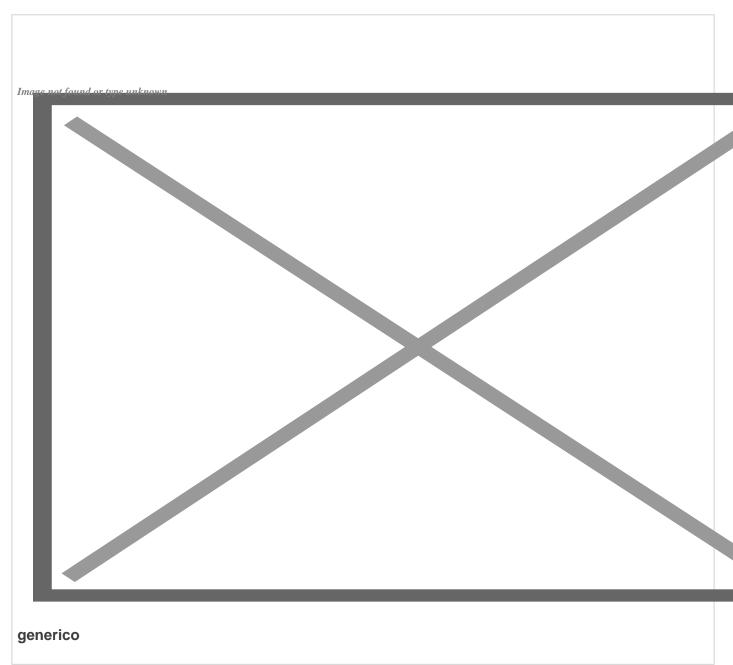
Díaz-Canel thanks Putin for solidarity aid



Havana, August 26 (RHC)--Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel held a telephone conversation with his Russian counterpart, Vladimir Putin.

On Twitter, the Cuban head of state commented on the dialogue, in which he took the opportunity to thank his counterpart for the solidarity aid sent to his country.

Also, during their conversation, Diaz-Canel ratified the excellent state of bilateral relations and the importance of intensifying economic, commercial, financial, and cooperation ties.

Russia sent the Caribbean island several flights with food and medical supplies to support the confrontation with the Covid-19 pandemic amid the intensification of the economic blockade of the United States.

'The Cuban people have a good memory, they know their friends, and they do not forget those who come promptly to its aid in difficult times,' said Vice President Salvador Valdés upon receiving one of these shipments.

He also highlighted the solidarity and deeply human gesture of the Eurasian nation, which shows that Cuba is not alone when it comes to US economic asphyxiation and, through different methods, tries to subvert the social-economic order legitimately chosen by its people.

Meanwhile, the charge d'affaires of the Russian embassy in Havana, Anna Kosenkova, commented that the aid is a gesture of support amid the complex situation due to the health emergency and the reinforcement of Washington's restrictive policies.

'True ties of friendship and brotherhood unite both peoples,' the diplomat said.

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