

# *Solidarity organizations collect 8.7 million syringes for Cuba*

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Havana, September 13 (RHC) Some 8.7 million syringes and medical and hospital supplies will soon arrive in Cuba thanks to the solidarity of nationals abroad and organizations supporting the island.

According to Humberto Pérez, coordinator of Asociación Martiana of Cubans Residing in Panama, organizer of the shipment, the donation is part of the Let's break the Blockade campaign, which gathers groups from more than 28 Latin American, Caribbean, and European countries.

In a few days, the first of five containers will arrive from China with the aid collected to support the anti-Covid-19 vaccination drive underway on the island, an effort also supported by trade union organizations

and young graduates of Cuban educational institutions, he said.

From the Cuban Institute of Friendship with the Peoples (ICAP) headquarters, Perez highlighted the speed and magnitude of the response obtained since the launching of this campaign last February, which allowed the arrival of eight of these loads to date.

He said that the complex situation derived from the Covid-19 pandemic and the tightening of the U.S. blockade led to the articulation of solidarity organizations and the mobilization of Cubans living abroad.

In this sense, Noemi Rabaza, first vice-president of ICAP, highlighted the synergy achieved among the Latin American and Caribbean Continental Network of Solidarity with Cuba, the Group of Cubans Living in Europe, and the rest of the friendship groups in the world.

During the meeting, ICAP acknowledged the efforts of the Asociacion Martiana of Cubans Residing in Panama in this endeavor which, its coordinator affirmed, will continue with the purpose of breaking the U.S. blockade.

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