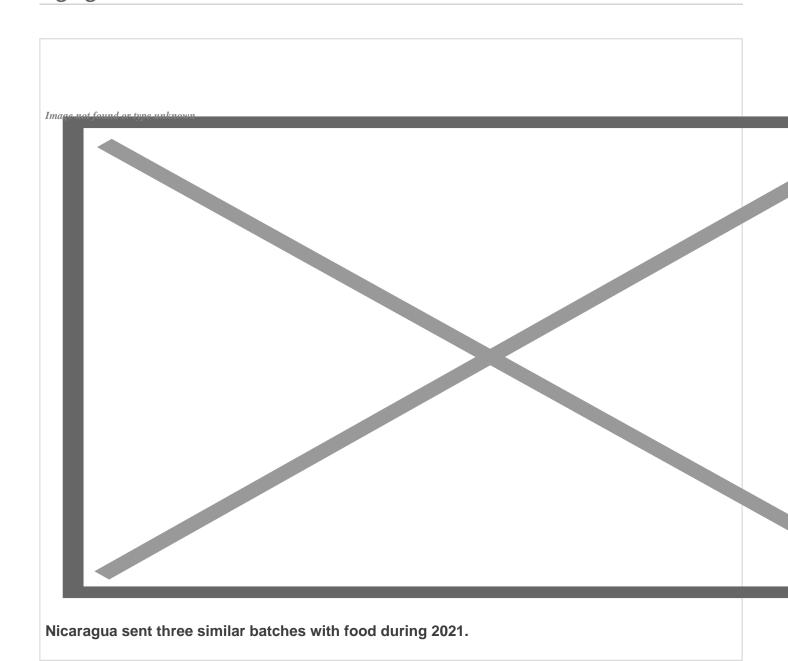
## Nicaragua to send 36 containers of food to Cuba



Managua, February 5 (RHC)-- The Nicaraguan government announced a new solidarity shipment of 36 containers of food to Cuba, after reiterating its position condemning the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed on the island by the United States.

As scheduled, the ship A.C. Sandino will set sail on Sunday at 06:00 local time from the Port Arlen Siu, the main access route of the Central American nation to international markets in the Caribbean and the east coast of the United States.

The shipment ordered by the government headed by President Daniel Ortega and Vice President Rosario Murillo is intended to provide humanitarian aid to the island, affected by an acute economic crisis as a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic and the tightening of the U.S. blockade.

In addition to the epidemiological situation, the Caribbean country must face the consequences of the siege and other 243 measures approved by former U.S. President Donald Trump, 55 of them in times of pandemic.

Nicaragua sent three similar batches with food during 2021 and the last one, dated December 5, included 50 containers with products such as rice, beans and coffee, which arrived at the port of Mariel, in the western province of Artemisa.

This Friday, the Executive of the Central American nation demanded the end of the blockade imposed by Washington, described as criminal and a barbarism of U.S. imperialism in the 21st century, and recalled the six decades of permanence of that unilateral and genocidal policy.

"We make our own all the denunciations, claims and demands that represent the will and commitment of the free peoples of the world, in struggle for justice, solidarity and peace. Against the blockade of revolutionary Cuba, all together. Let's go forward", the communiqué said.

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