Cuba Orders Lawyers to Report Suspicious Operations



Havana, August 18 (RHC) -- A new resolution that has been issued by Cuba's Ministry of Justice states that lawyers, notaries and juridical consultants are obliged to report "suspicious operations," for example those suspected of money laundering, financing terrorism or weapon trafficking.

According to the resolution, the legal workers are also obliged to notify any fact or event of similar seriousness that could be known by them during the exercise of their professional activity.

The measure was adopted because "lawyers, notaries and juridical consultants can know of possible suspicious operations related to the introduction in the island of illicit activities, with the purpose of being used in terrorist activities or whitening capitals," said the resolution.

If any case of that type would be detected, the law professionals should report it to the General Directors of the Financial Operations Investigation Department of Cuba's Central Bank.

The Cuban government has launched a fight against corruption, which has taken several local officials and even foreign entrepreneurs to court.



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