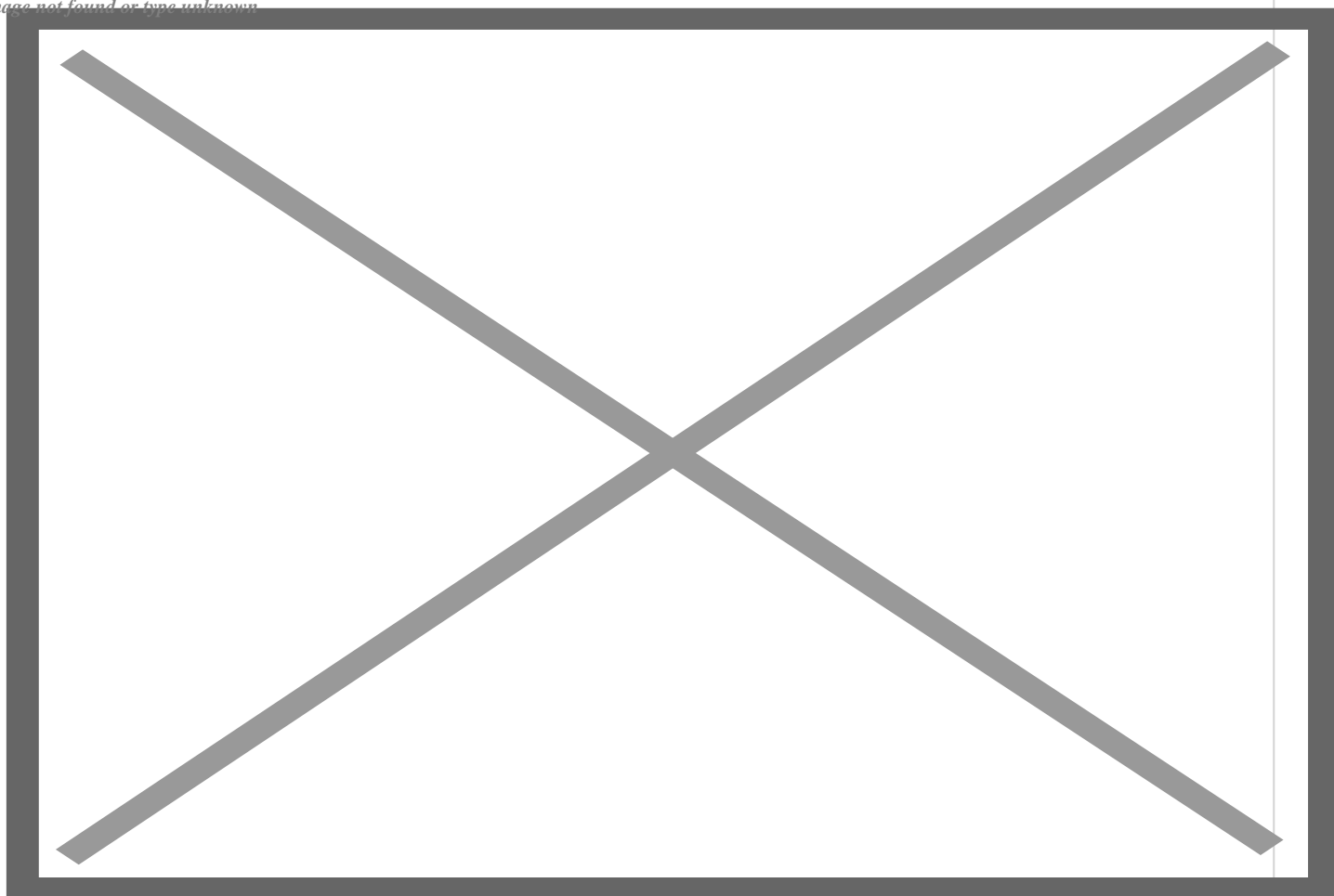


# *Raul Castro and Diaz-Canel lead homage to the II Eastern Front*

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Havana, March 11 (RHC)-- The leader of the Cuban Revolution, Raúl Castro, and President Miguel Díaz-Canel led today the political act and military ceremony on the occasion of the 65th anniversary of the Second Frank País Eastern Front.

In the Mausoleum to the martyrs of that rebel command, tribute was paid to the combatants who died in the struggle or after the revolutionary triumph in 1959, according to a national television report.

The first secretary of the Communist Party of Cuba in this province, José Ramón Monteagudo, highlighted the leadership of Raúl Castro, who was the founder of the front, and pointed out that all the socioeconomic advances in the territory are the work of the Revolution.

The event was attended by Commanders José Ramón Machado and Ramiro Valdés, Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez, Minister of the Revolutionary Armed Forces (FAR), Álvaro López, among other state and government officials.

The commemoration concluded with a military review led by members of the island's Ministry of the Interior and the FAR.

The guerrilla territory came to cover 123,000 square kilometers and a population of half a million inhabitants, and today corresponds to the provinces of Guantanamo and part of Santiago de Cuba and Holguín.

In the rebel demarcation Raul Castro created and organized the departments of Justice, Health, Public Works, Treasury, Propaganda and Inspection, Education, the Agrarian Bureau and the Worker's Bureau.

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