

The Wall Street Journal: Mid-year recycles

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A little more than a year after launching a first barrage of alleged reports on what it called "Chinese espionage bases in Cuba", The Wall Street Journal pulled out of the hat of a liar magician another alleged investigation on the same subject.

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This is what he did this week, without citing a verifiable source or showing evidence, as the Cuban Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Carlos Fernández de Cossío, wrote on his X account.

"Legends of Chinese military bases that do not exist and no one has seen", insisted the diplomat, who called attention to the recurrence of the cited journalistic source.

Indeed, in June 2023, Fernandez de Cossio described as "totally mendacious and unfounded information" a publication in The Wall Street Journal on an alleged agreement between the Caribbean nation and China on military matters, containing the installation of what he invoked as a spy base.

In connection with the attempt to bring back into the news the conjectured existence of those enclaves in the Caribbean archipelago, the quick reflection of what was published in the newspaper in other media, inside and outside the United States, was evident.

The Wall Street Journal alludes to a think tank as the source of the said "report", based on what it explains as new satellite images that would reflect, it argues, electronic listening stations.

The quick and energetic response of Vice Minister Fernandez de Cossio, as occurred before the mid-year publication of 2023, ratifies the absence of such sites.

Cuba is inserted in a peace zone declared by CELAC in 2014 and does not subscribe to agreements that threaten third parties.

Cubans do not forget other inventions such as that of the infamous John Bolton, who "revealed" the inauguration in Cuba of a factory of components for biological warfare. It was none other than the now prestigious Biotechnology Center, where dedicated West Indian scientists work.

The Cuban government insists that the purpose of such falsehoods is to justify the tightening of the U.S. blockade and the inclusion of the country in arbitrary lists drawn up by the State Department.

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