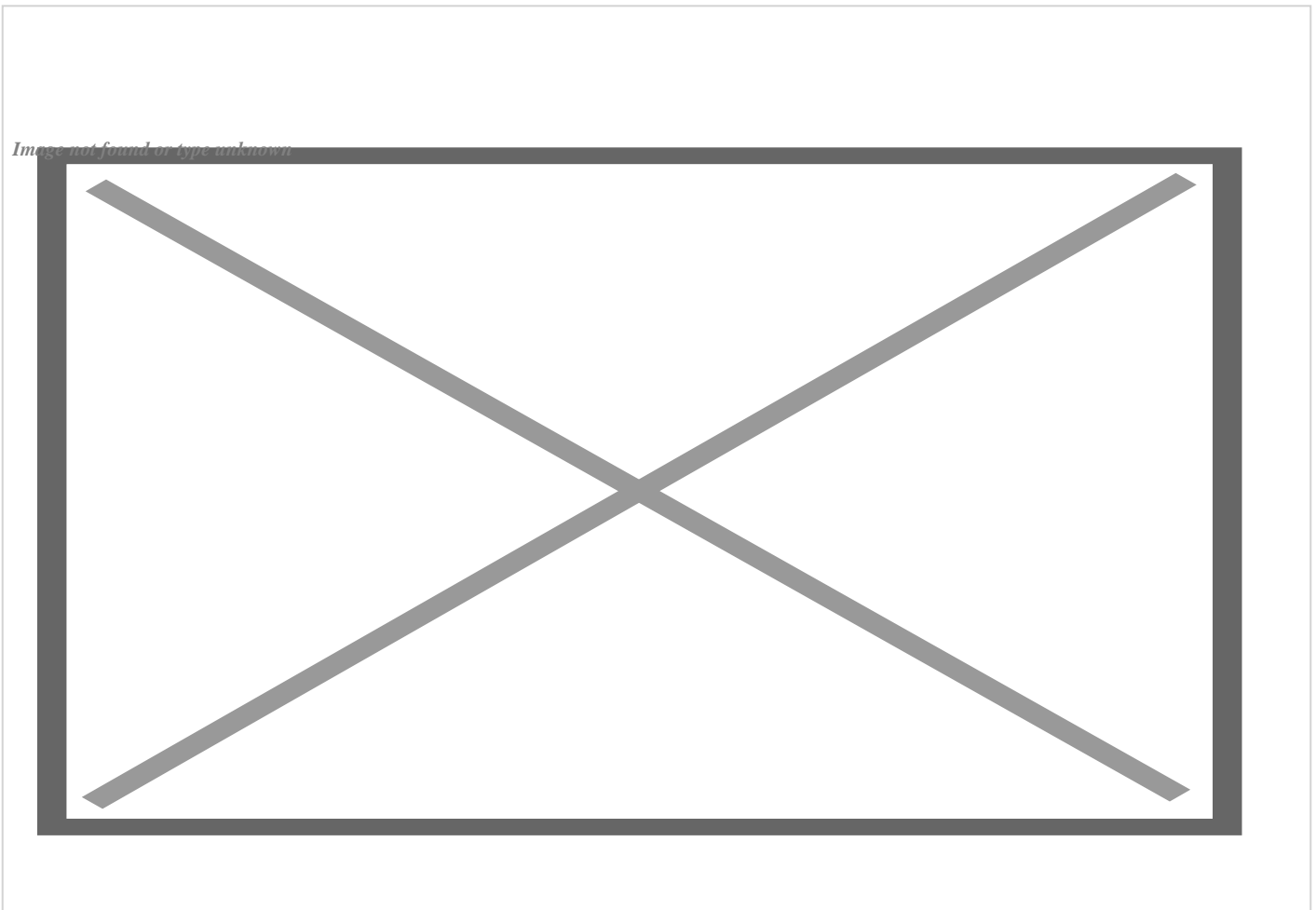


# *Cuba commemorates the creation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party*

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Havana, October 3 (RHC) -- Cubans today commemorate the creation 59 years ago of the first Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba (PCC), an event that consolidated the ideological and organizational unity of the vanguard group of the Revolution.

From that moment on, a Party was structured that has organs, organizations and grassroots organizations throughout the nation and in the armed institutions.

Its foundation, said the historical leader Fidel Castro, meant one of the most transcendental steps in the history of Cuba, which closely united the revolutionary people and achieved the highest degree of unity and organization around the political conceptions of the process of transformation, initiated in 1959 on the island.

At the founding ceremony, held on October 3, 1965, in the capital's then Chaplin Theater, now Karl Marx Theater, Fidel Castro revealed the farewell letter from Argentine-Cuban guerrilla Ernesto Che Guevara, who had left Cuba to continue his anti-imperialist actions in other nations.

"There is an absence in our Central Committee of someone who possesses all the merits and all the virtues necessary to the highest degree to belong to it and who, however, does not figure among the members of our Central Committee," he said.

During his speech, he also reported on the merger of the newspapers Revolución and Hoy into a single official organ of the PCC, under the name Granma, in homage to the yacht that brought the architects of the Revolution to Cuba in 1956.

On October 4, the first issue of this newspaper was printed, with a circulation of 498,784 copies.

The Communist Party of Cuba is the organization that constitutes the highest political force in the Society and the State in the Caribbean nation. (Source: Prensa Latina)

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