

Cuba to Hold Partial Elections in April



Havana, January 6 (RHC-Xinhua) -- Cuba's State Council convened about eight million voters for partial elections in April to choose the delegates for a two-and-a-half-year-term to the 168 municipal assemblies of the People's Power, the daily Granma newspaper reported Monday.

This first round of elections is scheduled for April 19th, and the second will be held on April 26th in those constituencies where no candidate obtains over 50 percent of the valid votes, according to an official release published by Granma.

Cuban electoral law establishes that if there is a tie in any constituency, a third round or more will be necessary to define an electoral winner.

This is the 16th electoral process on the island since the establishment of the People's Power, the country's unicameral parliament, in 1976. Cuba's last legislative elections were held in October 2012.

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