U.S. Scientific Expedition to Eastern Cuba



Guantanamo, October 9 (RHC)-- U.S. scientists will join an expedition to the Alejandro de Humboldt National Park as part of a collaboration accord aimed at doing research on local wildlife.

Expedition coordinator Gerardo Begue-Quiala told reporters that the initiative is part of a joint accord by the Cuban Natural History Museum, New York's American Museum of Natural History and the Environmental Service Unit at the National Park.

From October 17th to November 5th, the three institutions will draw up a wildlife inventory and collect species to expand the collections of the two museums, according to Prensa Latina news agency.

The Alejandro de Humboldt National Park was declared a World Heritage Site and constitutes the main core of a large Biosphere Reserve Area in eastern Cuba. The park expands through the provinces of Holguin and Guantanamo and serves as a natural shelter to two percent of the world flora species; it is also famous for its high endemic levels and the largest vegetable density of Cuba and the whole Caribbean.

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