

# *US Entrepreneurs Explore Business Opportunities in Cuba*

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Havana, October 17 (RHC)-- A group of business people from the US State of Ohio are in Cuba looking for opportunities to foster bilateral trade in the event that the US economic, commercial and financial blockade of Cuba is lifted.

The trade mission, that is headed by Congressman Tim Ryan, met with Cuban authorities on the potential of the two sides to Exchange in key economic sectors, such as tourism, construction, agribusiness and health.

The director of the North America Division at the Cuban Foreign Trade and Investment Ministry, Maria de la Luz B´Hamel, said that there are many opportunities to develop commerce between the two countries if the US blockade is lifted.

Cuban-American lawyer Luis Alcalde expressed the interest of the US businessmen in learning from Cuba in order to boost bilateral trade in the benefits of the people of the United States and Cuba.

Alcalde stressed their wish that the US Congress should lift the US´ s anti-Cuba policy, which only prevents that the two countries get the benefits of possible joint business initiatives.

The US trade mission visited the Special Development Zone at the western Mariel harbor and met with representatives of the US embassy in Havana. The Ohio business people also held bilateral meetings

with Cuban directives from the areas of tourism, logistics, transportation, health and other sectors.

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