

# *Cuban President Raul Castro to Pay State Visit to Mexico Next Week*

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Mexico City, October 30 (RHC)-- Cuban President Raul Castro will pay a state visit to Mexico from November 5th through the 7th, according to a statement issued by the Mexican government.

According to Prensa Latina news agency, Mexico's Foreign Affairs Office announced that the Cuban head of state and his host, President Enrique Peña Nieto, will meet in Merida, capital city of Yucatan state next week.

The two presidents will consider bilateral and regional issues related to the political, economic and cooperation areas, according to the official statement, which notes that Raul Castro's visit has special significance since it will take place amid historic bilateral relations currently at an excellent stage.

Cuba and Mexico have shared permanent diplomatic relations for the past 113 years, while Mexico is Cuba's third major commercial partner in Latin America and the seventh major source of tourists to the island.

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