

Panama Discourages Irregular Migration through its Territory



Panama, May 27 (RHC-PL), -- Panama has warned that with the completion of the last airlift transferring Cuban migrants to Mexico, they will make no other such agreements and illegal migrants will no longer be allowed into their territory.

"This is the last time that the Panamanian authorities execute this action through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the National Immigration Service (SNM, in Spanish)," said a statement issued by the authority.

Last May, Panamanian President Juan Carlos Varela, made a 'friendly call' on nations that encourage illegal migration to revise their laws and promote dialogue to, in his own words, 'find a definitive solution to the problem together'.

Although not mentioning it directly, he was referring to the Cuban Adjustment Act and the policy of 'dry feet, wet feet' that the United States applies exclusively to Cubans who arrive on U.S. soil by whatever irregular means, while these same people are denied visas at the U.S. Embassy in Havana to migrate in an orderly manner.



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