

Cuba: First Stage of Elections Ends

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The first stage of Cuban electoral process ended well and with the presence of 78% of voters, informed today the National Electoral Commission (CEN for its acronym in Spanish).

A note from CEN ran at the news television show specified that 60 870 proposals were made, from which 27 221 candidates were nominated.

From that total, 9 637 are women, representing the 35,40%; while 5 307 are young, 19,49%.

The candidate nomination process to the municipal assemblies of People's Power – scheduled from September 4th to October 30th - was characterized by discipline and organization.

CEN also reported that of the current delegates 8 331 were nominated, representing the 66,44%.

The report also highlighted that last October 19th until November 9th the lists of voters will be published in the districts, and works are done in their background checks and upgrade.

The pictures and biographies of those nominated are also shown on boards since November 1st, so that voters have the necessary elements when choosing the candidate of their preference next November 26th.

CEN added that from November 1-17 selected voters to join polls tables at polls offices, as well as the rest of electoral staff will get ready to direct the voting process in the districts.

The Council of State modified last September 19th the schedule of the first stage of elections because of the impact of hurricane Irma.

The first round of elections for delegates to municipal assemblies of People's Power will be carried out next

November 26th.

The second round is scheduled for December 3rd for those districts in which none of the candidates won more than half of the issued valid votes.
