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Cuba, Russia and DPRK congratulate China on founding anniversary

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The leaders of Cuba, Russia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and other countries on Monday congratulated China on its National Day and vowed to consolidate their bilateral relations.

In a letter to President Xi Jinping, the First Secretary of the Communist Party of Cuba Central Committee, Raul Castro, highlighted the contribution of China to justice, peace and world economic progress, local television station CGTN indicated.

Cuban President Miguel Diaz-Canel reaffirmed the will to consolidate traditional friendship between the two socialist nations and foster the comprehensive development of their mutual ties.

From Russia, President Vladimir Putin referred to the achievements of China and its role as an irreplaceable strategic partner, after highlighting the determination to strengthen cooperation for the benefit of both peoples.

The leader of the DPRK, Kim Jong-un, praised the leadership of the Communist Party of China in its task of undertaking economic, political and social revitalization, while Laos President Bounnhang Vorachith wished success to President Xi Jinping in realizing that goal.

Similarly, the Secretary-General of the United Nations Antonio Guterres referred to the positive results in the fight against poverty and the role of Beijing as a key player on the international

scene.

Xi Jinping also received greetings from the British Queen Elizabeth II; his counterparts Donald Trump (United States), Arif Alvi (Pakistan), Ram Nath Kovind (India), Nursultan Nazarbayev (Kazakhstan), Muhammadu Buhari (Nigeria), Frank-Walter Steinmeier (Germany) and Cyril Ramaphosa (South Africa).

Saudi King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud also sent a message; as did the President of the International Olympic Committee Thomas Bach; the Secretary General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Vladimir Norov, and the President of the African Union Commission Moussa Faki Mahamat.

This Tuesday marks the 70th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China and the central activities to celebrate the date will take place in Tian'anmen Square in central Beijing.

The highlight will be a parade of 100,000 people that will commemorate the historic process since 1949, the implementation of the reform and opening policy, and the advancement of socialism with China's own characteristics.

There will be a major military parade that will show modern nationally made equipment, a gala and President Xi will offer a speech to mark the important date.

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