

Cuba To Continue Backing Colombian Peace Process

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Cuban President Raúl Castro said today that his country will continue supporting the peace efforts implemented by the Government of Colombia and the insurgents Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia-People's Army. In his speech in the Third Summit of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (Celac) in Costa Rica, the Cuban president highlighted progress made in the peace talks, ongoing in Havana since November 2012.

Never before such a progress had been made in the direction to achieving peace in Colombia, he said, and added that Cuba will continue providing necessary facilities and contributing in everything possible to the end of that conflict and the construction of stable, lasting peace in that South American country.

This summit, opened today in the city of Belen, near the Costa Rican capital, is being attended by presidents and high ranking officials from the 33 countries that are members of Celac, a pro-integration mechanism not including the United States and Canada.

Its main topic is regional integration and the struggle against poverty under the slogan "Building Together."

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