
Diaz-Canel Stresses Nicaragua's Social and Economic Achievements

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Managua, Jul 19 (Prensa Latina) Cuban First Vice President, Miguel Diaz-Canel, stressed the social and economic achievements of Nicaragua, after arriving in Managua today to participate in the celebrations for the 37th anniversary of the triumph of the Sandinista Revolution. "As a result of the Sandinista Front led by Commander Daniel Ortega, Nicaragua is today a free, sovereign and independent, peaceful, anti-imperialist country. It has achieved significant social and economic successes," Diaz-Canel told the press at Managua airport.

The Cuban first vice president stated that he was very happy to be in Nicaragua celebrating 37 years of revolution and victory alongside the people and the government .

"Nicaragua and Cuba are united by strong historical ties of brotherhood and cooperation and Ortega is a key figure in the history of this Central American nation," he said.

"Ortega has been loyal to the legacy of the Sandinista Front, and I think that every time the victory of the Sandinista Revolution is celebrated with the Sandinista government and with Daniel leading the government, we are also paying a tribute to the history of Sandino, Carlos Fonseca and all the fighters who fought for the independence of Nicaragua," he said.

Diaz-Canel leads a delegation consisting of Deputy Foreign Minister, Ana Teresita Gonzalez, and the Cuban ambassador to Nicaragua, Eduardo Martinez.

Representatives from Colombia, Chile, Mexico, Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Vietnam and Venezuela, among others, have also arrived in the country.

The festivities began early today and the main event will be held in the afternoon.

The event will be led by Ortega and the coordinator of the Communication and Citizenship Council, Rosario Murillo.

On July 19th, 1979, the Sandinista Front for National Liberation (FSLN) ended the dictatorship of Anastasio Somoza Debayle, the last of that family who held power. Since then, the FSLN have promoted a series of important changes in the country.
