
Cuban Residents in Costa Rican Condemn U.S. Blockade

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Cuban residents in Costa Rica on Sunday repeated their demand for the elimination of the U.S. economic, commercial and financial blockade on Cuba and the return of the naval base in Guantanamo, which is illegally occupied by the United States.

The demand was contained in a statement issued in this capital by the national meeting of the 'Antonio Maceo' Cultural Association of Cubans Residents in Costa Rica, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year.

The text supports the Cuban government's statement that despite the historic vote at the UN General Assembly against the blockade, where no country voted against it, that siege 'remains and will remain the major obstacle for the economic development' of the Caribbean island.

The document, presented by the president of the association, Juan Mesa Lloret, condemns the United States' intention to destroy constitutional order in Cuba through the direct financing of counterrevolutionary groups and individuals.

We will continue conveying to the new generations of Cubans born anywhere in the world the knowledge of Cuba's history, culture, patriotic symbols and our principles of independence, sovereignty and national identity, the statement concludes.

Cuban Ambassador to Costa Rica Danilo Sanchez and other officials from the Cuban diplomatic mission in this Central American country attended the meeting as guests.