

Bolivia Declares National Mourning for the Death of Fidel Castro

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The Bolivian government today has declared a seven-day period of mourning for the death of the leader of the Cuban Revolution, Fidel Castro, considered by the president, Evo Morales, as a teacher of principles and values.

'National mourning is declared for the death of the former President of the Republic of Cuba, citizen Fidel Alejandro Castro, throughout the territory of the Plurinational State of Bolivia for seven days, without suspension of public or private activities,' the decree stated.

'In public buildings the Flag of the Plurinational State of Bolivia will be raised with black crepe as a sign of mourning at a national level,' the statement released by the Ministry of Communication stresses.

After learning about the death of Fidel Castro, Morales on the verge of tears said that the Commander was a master of principles and values, protector of the people and guide in the fight against imperial domination.

'The leader of the Cuban Revolution always accompanied us, and taught us to raise our voice in the face of capitalism that steals our natural resources.

His struggle was not only for Cuba and Latin America, but for the whole world, hence our tribute to the great politician, a man who gave his life for the peoples of the planet.

His career is enviable and his example as the most supportive man in the world is unattainable.

Fidel Castro was at the forefront of Latin American and Caribbean integration projects, proof of which was in his altruistic idea of giving free operations to thousands of Latin Americans.

I saw him share the initiative with the late Venezuelan president, Hugo Chávez, and it seemed impossible to me, but that dream came true in Bolivia, and 700,000 citizens were given surgery by Cuban doctors.' said the President.

'That miracle is Fidel Castro, it is the Cuban Revolution,' emphasized the first indigenous president of this Andean-Amazonian nation.

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