

Thousands of People Pay Tribute to Fidel Castro in Namibia

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Thousands of people have gathered in Windhoek for a solemn evening of remembrance for Cuban leader, Fidel Castro, led by Namibian President, Hage Geingob.

The tribute, carried out in the gardens of the Namibian Parliament, was broadcast live on NBC channel and was attended by all the government leadership, the SWAPO party and representatives of diplomatic staff, according to the Cuban embassy.

Professional Namibians who graduated from universities in Cuba, as well as collaborators and residents from Cuba residing in Namibia, also participated.

Referring to the leader of the Revolution, Geingob described him as his hero and reiterated that Namibia, 'Owes Cuba and Fidel its eternal gratitude.'

He stated that Cuba's greatest sacrifice was to send their sons as combatants in defense of the African peoples.

The president also confirmed Namibia's continued support for Cuba in its fight against the blockade, which has been maintained by successive U.S. administrations for more than 50 years.

The speech by the National Police Chief, Lieutenant General Sebastian Ndeitunga, who spoke on behalf of all those who were influenced by the Cuban Revolution, was very moving.

Ndeitunga recalled how Fidel visited them on several times on the Isle of Youth and his constant concern for them to study and become the vanguard of the Namibian people.

The list of speakers also included legendary leaders Sam Nujoma and Andimba Toivo ya Toivo; SWAPO party general secretary, Nangolo Mbumba and the Cuban ambassador to Windhoek, Giraldo Mazola.



The Cuban leader, Fidel Castro, passed away on November 25th in Havana and since the unfortunate news broke, messages and tributes from around the world, for one of the most outstanding political figures of the last century, have not ceased.