

## TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

For more than sixty years now, the United States of America have been maintaining a blockade against Cuba. Ever since the nineties of last century Washington has been promulgating a series of laws reinforcing it even more in an effort to impede all possibilities to purchase food as to create a famine that would subdue its people.

Solely the government of Donald Trump decreed 243 measures affecting the economy of Cuba even more, many of which during the Covid-19 pandemic. Under the government of Joe Biden they still apply.

The objective has not changed: to suffocate the Cuban economy and to provoke the suffering of its population as to make people turn against the revolutionary government.

Arrogantly Washington has been ignoring the annually recurring condemnations by the General Assembly of the United Nations demanding to put an end to these inhumane proceedings.

At the same time the government of the United States kept on investing millions of dollars in the creation of “dissidents”, of “opponents”, of all kind, who have little or no support within Cuba, but are nevertheless exalted by the international press with the aim to damage the image of the revolution and thus to lay the foundations for the imposition of the criminal blockade.

Doing so the US government also aims at isolating Cuba , basically in order to push the European Union to break its relationships with the Cuban government. Without hiding it, it allocates millions of dollars with the aim to enhance internal subversion, to call for civil disobedience, anarchy and chaos, the ultimate goal being to put an end to the current political system and to replace it by one that exclusively meets its own interests.

Washington is not in the least interested in the impressive scientific achievements of the revolution, such as, amongst others, the fact that in a few weeks' time Cuba will be the first country in the world that will have succeeded in vaccinating its entire population against Covid-19, with vaccines that Cuba itself has developed and produced. And this in spite of the fact that Washington has been doing whatever was in its power to prevent Cuba from purchasing syringes to administer them.

Washington cannot only rely on the complicity of the big corporate press, but also counts on individuals setting up campaigns, primarily from Florida, that call for going out into the streets and using violence with the aim to bring the government down.

From within Cuba, certain people feel supported and protected by Washington and use the difficult economic situation due to the blockade (which has been aggravated by the Covid-19 pandemic, as happened in all other countries) as a banner to call for subversive demonstrations.

They do so irrespectively of the national legislation prohibiting all aggression against the legitimate political system, which is but logic in all

states in the world. And even more so when the aggression is instigated by a foreign power.

We, the undersigned, once again call upon the government of the United States to lift its inhumane blockade against Cuba and to halt its efforts to destabilize a nation that has not once conducted any action against its security; that has never interfered in its internal affairs, neither has called upon the US citizens to subvert the established order, notwithstanding the multiple and grave internal societal problems that exist within this world power.

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At the initiative of Ignacio Ramonet, journalist, Spain; Hernando Calvo Ospina, author, France; Atilio Borón, sociologist, Argentina; Fernando Buen Abad, philosopher, Mexico,

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Rafaél Correa, ex-president of Ecuador.

José Manuel Zelaya, ex-president of Honduras.

Ernesto Samper Pizano, ex-president of Colombia.

Adolfo Pérez Esquivel, Nobel Peace Prize, Argentina.

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Pablo González Casanova, UNESCO Prize, Mexico.

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