

## Celebrate the 72nd anniversary of Cuba's July 26 Movement & the Gains of the Cuban Revolution



**FOOD & BBQ  
SPEAKERS  
SALSA LESSON  
LIVE MUSIC  
POETRY  
PIÑATA**

**Saturday July 26, 2025  
TROUT LAKE PARK  
3350 Victoria Dr.**

Near the East 19th Ave. parking lot &  
concession stand  
Look for the Cuban flags!

**6:00pm**

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**Vancouver Monthly Car Caravan  
LIFT THE U.S. BLOCKADE ON CUBA!**

Trump!  
Take Cuba Off the "State Sponsors of Terrorism"  
List!

#TumbaeBloque  
#DropTheBlockade  
#UnBlockCuba

#OffTheList  
#MejorSinBloqueo  
#CubaVsBloqueo

#PuentesDeAmor  
#BridgesOfLove  
#LetCubaLive



**Sunday June 29th @ 12:30pm  
For Vancouver location Call: 604-780-4029**  
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#OFFTHELIST

STATEMENT BY  
**VCSC**  
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**U.S. TERRORIST LIES - NO  
MATCH AGAINST CUBA'S  
RECORD OF PEACE AND  
JUSTICE!**

**REMOVE CUBA FROM THE US  
STATE DEPARTMENT'S SSOT  
AND NFCC LISTS NOW!**

**Statement by Vancouver Communities in  
Solidarity with Cuba (VCSC) May 22, 2025**

On May 13, 2025, the Trump administration added Cuba to the U.S. government's arbitrary and hypocritical list of countries that, "do not fully cooperate with its anti-terrorism efforts" (NFCC). However, the history and ongoing actions of the U.S. government automatically exclude it from being an authority on who does or does not support terrorism.

Those who study Cuba know it is a country truly standing against terrorism and a force pushing for peace and justice world-wide. While the U.S. exports weapons, domination, war, and terror, Cuba exports doctors and health. Currently Cuba has more than 24,000 doctors working in 56 countries worldwide. In over six decades since the 1959 Cuban revolution, Cuba has sent over 600,000 healthcare professionals to over 160 countries, this is despite over 60 years of U.S. blockade and economic warfare against Cuba.

Cuba's life saving medical internationalism is currently under vicious attack by the same U.S. State

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Department, with Secretary of State Marco Rubio, lying and attempting to label Cuban medical professionals as victims of "forced labor" and "human trafficking". Rubio's lies are contrasted by the direct experiences of Caribbean leaders. Recently Barbados' Prime Minister, Mia Mottley, explained how Barbados, "could not get through the pandemic without the Cuban nurses and the Cuban doctors." While Jamaican Prime

Minister Andrew Holness stated, "Let us be clear, the Cuban doctors in Jamaica have been incredibly helpful to us."

Vancouver Communities in Solidarity with Cuba strongly condemns this latest U.S. campaign of lies and aggression against Cuba. We demand that Cuba be removed immediately from both the "do not fully cooperate with its anti-terrorism efforts" (NFCC) & "State Sponsors of Terrorism" (SSOT) lists. We further demand an end to the over 60-year criminal and unjust U.S. blockade against Cuba! The true purpose of these lists, sanctions & the blockade are a campaign of destructive economic warfare, aimed at Cuba and any other country refusing to bow to the bullying of the U.S. government.

The world needs Cuba's example of revolutionary internationalism and solidarity!  
Join Vancouver Communities in Solidarity with Cuba (VCSC) in demanding:  
Cuba is Not a Supporter of Terrorism!  
Lift the Blockade on Cuba Now!  
Take Cuba Off the SSOT & NFCC Lists Now!  
Viva Cuba!

**Viva Cuba!**

**#UnblockCuba #LetCubaLive**

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# Cuba Stands with Palestine!

In line with the firm and sustained commitment to support and contribute as much as possible to legitimate international efforts to end the genocide committed against the Palestinian people, the Government of the Republic of Cuba has decided to intervene in the contentious proceedings initiated by the Republic of South Africa against the State of Israel before the International Court of Justice.

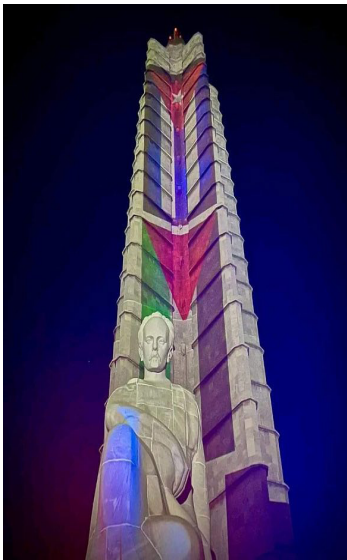
In accordance with the provisions of Article 63 of the Statute of the Court, and in strict observance of its obligations as a State party to the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, Cuba will make use of its right to present, as a Third State, its interpretation of the rules of the

Convention that Israel has flagrantly violated with its actions in the illegally occupied Palestinian territory of the Gaza Strip.

The lawsuit filed with the main judicial body of the United Nations is primarily aimed at halting atrocities against the Palestinian people as a result of Israel's disproportionate and indiscriminate use of force.

Israel, with total impunity, protected by the complicity of the United States Government, ignores its obligations as the occupying Power under the Fourth Geneva Convention.

Genocide, Apartheid, forced displacement and collective punishment cannot be included in today's world, nor can they be tolerated by the international



Havana statue of Cuba's National Hero Jose Marti with Cuban and Palestinian flags

community. Justice and respect for the Charter of the United Nations and international law must prevail.

Source: Cubaminrex

## Join the Postcard Campaign in Defense of Cuba

Friends of Cuba Against the U.S. Blockade – Vancouver and the NY-NJ Cuba Si Coalition launched a postcard campaign aimed at U.S. President Biden which declares, “Cuba is NOT a ‘sponsor of terrorism’! Remove Cuba from your list!”.

As part of this campaign, people can send postcards as often as they want to the White House. It is a physical reminder to their mail room about this ongoing campaign and this injustice by the U.S. government against Cuba. But also, as folks are mailing their postcard they can take selfies and share them on social media – making this also a public education campaign. Furthermore, these postcards could be used to hand out at events and protests as a way to engage with people and encourage them to take action in support of Cuba!

We hope that you will join us in this exciting new campaign in solidarity with Cuba. If you would like more information or to order postcards please email: nobloqueovancouver@gmail.com



## Repeating a Lie Doesn't Make It True: Cuba does not support terrorism

The U.S. government once again discredits itself by unjustly including Cuba on the List of countries that “do not fully cooperate with its anti-terrorism efforts”.

Once again, the State Department turns the fight against international terrorism into a unilateral political exercise against countries that do not bow to its hegemonic interests.

Exactly one year ago, when the previous U.S. government excluded Cuba from the same list, it recognized the value of bilateral cooperation in law enforcement and compliance, which includes the joint confrontation of terrorism. Nothing has changed since then in Cuba's exemplary performance in this area. What has changed is the government in the United States and the intention of its new Secretary of State to impose the narrative that Cuba constitutes a threat to that nation, derail bilateral relations and lead both countries into confrontational scenarios, undesirable for our peoples.

The list does not address concrete evidence. Neither did the new government present evidence nor did it have any qualms about circumventing and reversing, a few hours after taking office, the process of consultations among specialized agencies that led to the exclusion of Cuba from the list of countries that allegedly sponsor terrorism.

These instruments respond to the design of the policy of “maximum pressure” and economic warfare. Their promoters know the damage they cause to the Cuban population and the intimidating effect they unleash against any State that appears to be affiliated with terrorism, regardless of what the

truth may be.

Cuba's commitment to energetic action and condemnation of terrorism is absolute and invariable. It does not respond to the whims of the U.S. Secretary of State in office. Cuba, a victim of terrorist acts, has an exemplary performance in the fight against terrorism.

On the contrary, the U.S. government tolerates or is complicit in this scourge. Confessed terrorists such as Luis Posada Carriles and Orlando Bosch Ávila lived peacefully in the city of Miami, protected by the U.S. The Cuban government is still waiting for answers to the request for information on the identity of the perpetrator of the terrorist attack against the Cuban Embassy in September 2023, and the requests on 61 persons and 19 organizations based in that country, allegedly linked to violent and terrorist acts against Cuba.

Our country has never participated in the organization, financing or execution of terrorist acts against any country, nor has its territory been used or will ever be used for that purpose. The same can not be said of the United States.

Respect the truth!

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Havana, May 14, 2025.

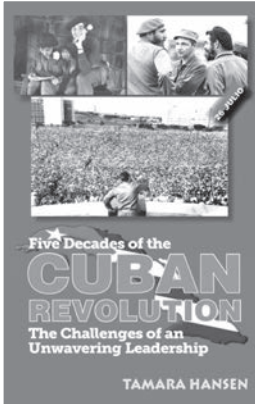


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