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MAY DAY SOLIDARITY MESSAGE TO THE CTC AND THE PEOPLE OF CUBA

Trade Union International Public Service and Allied (TUI-PS&A) representing public service and allied workers in all continents of the world sends its fraternal, revolutionary and solidarity May Day wishes to the “Central de Trabajadores de Cuba” (CTC) and the people of Cuba. Cuba though small and poor has shown leadership to the world during the COVID 19 - Coronavirus that has not spared any single country in the world. At the request of several countries, Cuban Medical Brigades that are part of the International Contingent Henry Reeve are currently deployed in 23 countries on different continents assisting in the battle against deadly virus.

The Cuban Medical Brigades have been deployed to save lives in Nicaragua, China, Venezuela, Antigua and Barbuda, Belize, Italy, Granada, Suriname, Angola, Jamaica, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Saint Lucia, Qatar, Togo, Cabo Verde, South Africa, Andorra, Saint Cristobal and Nevis, Argentina, Honduras, Barbados, Dominica and Haiti.

Even during these difficult times, we have seen the government of the United States of America intensifying the unjust, cruel, genocidal financial and economic blockade against Cuba. For more than 60 years, Cuba has suffered the negative consequences of the economic, financial and commercial blockade imposed by the United States which violates International Law, runs contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, and constitutes a contravention of a sovereign state’s right to peace, development and security. The blockade has subjected the Cuban population to shortages and needless suffering, has restricted and hindered the development of the country and has seriously damaged the Cuban economy. However, this blockade has not succeeded in undermining the Cuban people’s patriotic decision to defend its sovereignty, independence and right to self-determination.

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We as TUI-PS&A stand with the people of Cuba as we mark this important day for all workers in the world.

We also condemn the unwarranted attack on the Cuban Medical brigade by the United States. As Comandante Fidel Castro said “**Cuba sends its doctors around the world to save lives and does not drop bombs that kill lives**”.

As we celebrate the 75 years of unbroken struggle of the World Federation of Trade Unions {WFTU}, TUI-PS&A wishes the Cuban people a revolutionary spirit of International Solidarity to grow from strength to strength.

TUI-PS&A calls upon the government of the United States and its President Donald Trump to immediately lift the economic and financial blockade on Cuba so that Cuba can continue with its internationalist work of saving lives during this COVID 19 pandemic.

In this regard, we want to thank and salute the Cuban frontline healthcare workers who selflessly responded to the call of saving lives in the world against the invisible enemy - COVID-19.

Viva workers of Cuba!

Viva workers of the World!

Viva May Day!



Militant Workers' Struggle
Zola Saphetha
General Secretary TUI PS&A

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