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Request for support for the global campaign: NOBEL PEACE PRIZE 2021 FOR CUBAN MEDICAL BRIGADES "HENRY REEVE"

Dear Colleagues:

Presentation:

The RESOCAL Latin American Solidarity Network, headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden, is governed by the Declaration of Principles, its Statutes and is aimed at promoting solidarity activities for Latin American peoples and the world, inspired by the humanist and libertarian anti-imperialist legacy. It is composed by the following organizations:

National Federation "Víctor Jara" (Chile); Swedish-Ecuadorian Friendship Association (Ecuador); Solidarity Association with El Salvador-Stockholm (El Salvador); Peruvian Cultural Center (Peru); Bolivian Cultural Association "Tiwanaku " (Bolivia); Latin American Solidarity Association – Radio Bahía; ADIC Cultural Integration Association (Sweden) and Alamo Project (Sweden)

Reason:

The reason here is to ask you, very respectfully, for the solidarity support we require to reinforce the campaign that has been undertaken today to succeed in arguing and requesting the Committee on the Nobel Peace Prize, the nomination of the Cuban Medical Brigade "Henry Reeve", as worthy of the 2021 Nobel Peace Prize.

The RESOCAL Latin American Solidarity Network is in contact with the Cuba Linda á parent organization, based in France and actively working with the motto:

Nobel Peace Prize for Cuban Medical Brigades Henry Reeve

Support for this noble cause can be digitally by signing this letter, with the name of the organization.

Please sign here : https://www.mesopinions.com/petition/droits-homme/appel-attribution-prix-nobel-paix-aux/90370?fbclid=IwAR3oKY6z8qHLEfJ3a0RPwALk4wLEmNbkETcpqNqGxL_JS_evZdw70BKe0AI

It is difficult to summarize the extensive humanitarian work that the Cuban Medical Brigades are doing in the world, until today. It is undoubtedly one of the greatest objective displays of solidarity between the peoples and nations of the world. (Annex 1)

Receive a cordial greeting in these difficult times of the pandemic.

Kind regards:

RESOCAL Directive President Stockholm, 2020-08-19



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(Annex 1)

Support grows for Nobel Peace Prize proposal for Cuban doctors

Cuban Galenos have been supported by solidarity groups, political forces and trade unions in France, Spain, Ireland, and Italy, and around a thousand netizens

- Twenty European organizations support the Nobel Peace Prize proposal to the Cuban medical brigades of The Henry Reeve Contingent for their contribution to the global confrontation with COVID-19.
- Launched on 28 April by the associations Cuba Linda and France Cuba, the initiative has so far received the support of solidarity groups, political forces and trade unions from France, Spain, Ireland and Italy, and around a thousand netizens on the Facebook page Prix Nobel de la paix pour les brigades médicales de Cubales Henry Reeve.
- Some of the advocates of recognition of Cuban Galenos advocates are advocating to extend the campaign to an international committee.
- In recent days, the Departmental Union of the General Confederation of Labour of France of Bocas del Rhone, the Committee of Toulouse France Cuba, the Spanish Basque Cuba, Cubainformación.tv, Communists of Catalonia, and the Italian National Association of Friendship Italy-Cuba joined the request.
- The initiative also receives the support of Cuba Cooperation France, Cuba Sí France, Ardenas-Cuba, Montpellier Cuba Solidarity, Círculo Bolivariano de Paris, Los Niños de Cuba Marseille, Cuban Roots of France, arac-Cuba-Solidarity, the France-Cuba Friendship Group in the National Assembly and the Revolutionary Communist Party of France.
- Also joined are the Friends of Cuba in Charente Marítimo, the Movement against Racism and Friendship among Peoples, the Parisian Committee of Solidarity with Lula, Communist Grouping, and the Cell of the Brazilian Workers' Party in Paris.
- From other parts of the world, the proposal was signed by the International Peace, Justice and Dignity Committee for Peoples, alba-tcp, the Cuba Support Group (Ireland) and the Valencian Friendship Association with Cuba José Martí (Spain).

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HISTORICAL REVIEW

Origins of medical solidarity - Cuban

The history of internationalist solidarity in Cuban medicine dates to the colonial period, some doctors spontaneously expressed their revolutionary spirit by starting different countries, to help those in need, or enlisting in their armies as soldiers.

They were part of these professional consecrated persons:

- Antonio Lorenzo Luaces de Iraola, participated in the American Civil War, with the rank of Colonel.
- Manuel García Lavín y Chapotín, participated in the Franco Prussian War, on the merits achieved he was awarded the legion of honor of France.
- Luis Díaz Soto, participated in the fight of the Spanish people against fascism, during the civil war, from 1936-39.

Eminent Cuban scientists supported with their contributions the development of international organizations.

In 1902 when the island formally came to independence on May 20, it sent a delegation to the First International Health Convention in Washington, where the International Health Office was founded.

It is since then that there is a concrete and institutional history of aid in the field of health with other countries.

The principle of international solidarity

Since the triumph of the revolution, the Cuban people have maintained solidarity with other nations of the world, a legacy of Latin American thought by José Martí Pérez, Ernesto Guevara de la Serna, and Fidel Castro Ruz.

The Cuban revolution from 1959, despite the mass exodus of doctors that ensued, leaving the country with 50% of the 6286 that it had, and its limited economic development and political consolidation, began to provide aid in the field of health. One of the first actions carried out was in 1960, when a medical brigade was sent to Chile, which was affected by the action of an intense earthquake.

The international Cuban medical collaboration officially began its actions from May 23, 1963, when the first brigade was sent to Algeria, composed of 55 workers of the National Health System, who provided their services for one year.



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The possibilities and perspectives of Operation Miracle, which begins on July 8, 2004, are expanded by the first Venezuelan patients, extending to the Caribbean and Latin America.

Medical collaboration is also assumed in the training and training of human resources that guarantee the continuity of the principles of solidarity and collaboration.

The Latin American School of Medicine was created, in November 1999, on August 21, 2005, the Villa Bolívar was inaugurated, establishing the Sandino Commitment, for the training of doctors for a period of 10 years.

There is currently a wide-ed Cuban collaboration worldwide.

In the development and evolution of medical collaboration, the creation of the international contingent of doctors specializing in disasters and severe epidemics Henry Reeve on 25 August 2005 on the initiative of Commander-in-Chief Fidel Castro Ruz; organized as a result of a natural disaster, Hurricane Katrina, which affected the territories of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama in the United States, is a new approach to disaster medicine.

To date, 10 thousand Cuban cooperators make up the Contingent and 4,156 of them have already completed missions in seven countries.

Who was Henry Reeve?

A young American, born in Brooklyn, United States who at the age of nineteen, for his courage and dedication to the Cuban emancipating cause, became a brigadier general of the Liberation Army. Known for "Enrique el Americano", in Camaguey, but in the rest of Cuba, they knew him as "El Inglesito".

He is awarded to have participated in some 400 combative actions, in 10 he was wounded, and he is credited with taking part in the rescue of Brigadier General Julio Sanguily.

Cuba currently has 66 medical brigades in the exterior with 38,262 employees, of whom 18,384 are physicians