

Cuba denounces that new measures announced by U.S. national security advisor further strengthen blockade policy



Havana, November 3 (RHC)-- Carlos Fernández de Cossío, director general for the United States at the Cuban Foreign Ministry, voiced Cuba's strong rejection of the new measures announced Thursday by the Donald Trump administration, calling them a new effort to further tighten the U.S. blockade policy towards the Caribbean state.

The Cuban senior diplomat termed as vulgar, disrespectful and full of lies the anti-Cuba language used by U.S. National Security Adviser John Bolton, who said in Miami that the U.S. State Department will soon publish a list of Cuban entities that will be subjected to additional sanctions.

He specifically blasted Bolton's false claim that Cuba develops weapons of mass destruction, noting that international experts and an investigation conducted by the U.S. Congress concluded that it was a blatant lie.

The Cuban diplomat noted that Bolton said the White House is considering taking steps to allow thousands of Cuban Americans to sue in U.S. courts foreign companies and others who do business with Cuba on real estate that was nationalized after the 1959 Revolution.

Fernández de Cossío said that the new sanctions planned by the U.S. government are a futile attempt to bring regime change on the island and will only further isolate Washington internationally on its Cuba policy.

He noted that the new anti-Cuba measures were announced the same day that recorded a resounding victory at the UN General Assembly where a total of 189 UN members states sided with Cuba in condemning the U.S. blockade and urging Washington to repeal, once and for all, its nearly six-decades-old coercive policy towards Cuba.

The general director general for the United States at the Cuban Foreign Ministry reiterated Cuba's call on U.S. authorities to engage in a frank, open dialogue on any subject, as long as it is based on mutual respect and non-interference in the internal affairs of the island.

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