Cuba lashes out at OAS for hostile action over U.S. order



Havana, December 10 (RHC)-- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cuba (MINREX) has criticized renewed hostility by the Organization of American States (OAS), acting on orders of the U.S. Government.

According to MINREX, on September 18, 2018, the permanent representative of the United States to the OAS announced that they would hold a hearing in October on criminal allegations against Cuban leaders.

The Cuban Foreign Ministry's website says that the hearing was held on December 7, and chaired by OAS Secretary General Luis Almagro, who "mounted a farce about human rights in Cuba, acting against the Cuban Revolution and its main leaders."

On the issue, the Director General of Latin America and the Caribbean of MINREX, Eugenio Martinez, stressed neither the OAS nor its secretary general, nor its true manipulators, has any authority to judge Cuba, noting that Friday's staging at the OAS had no support. Martinez stated that it was "vulgar slander by the OAS secretary general to say Cubans are involved in acts of torture in Venezuela and Nicaragua."

According to the Cuban diplomat: "The only Cuban torturers in Venezuela were terrorist Luis Posada Carriles and other CIA agents, whom the OAS never condemned, nor was it ever concerned about the inhumane and cruel treatment suffered by prisoners at the illegal U.S. prison in the occupied territory of Guantanamo."

Martinez insisted "the OAS has always been a tool of the United States to apply the Monroe Doctrine the US Government is reviving. Once again that discredited organization and its secretary general underestimate the sovereignty of our countries...the actions of those who want to impose new sanctions against Cuba and help the U.S. Government fabricate pretexts to heighten tensions between the two countries will bring discredit to themselves."

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