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Havana, April 10 (RHC) - China announced on Monday that it has successfully completed military exercises around Taiwan, in response to the meeting last Wednesday in California of Taiwanese Administrative Chief Tsai Ing-wen and House Speaker of United States Representatives, Kevin McCarthy.

Through the Wechat social network, the Chinese Army's Eastern Theater of Operations specified that it "conscientiously tested its forces in real combat conditions", which completed "various tasks of preparation for the fight."

Likewise, the Chinese military spokesman, Shi Yi, assured that "the troops are ready to fight at any time" and "resolutely crush any form of separatism and attempts at foreign interference."

Through its website, the Chinese Ministry of Defense reported that, scheduled until Monday, the maneuvers focused today on simulating a maritime blockade of the island.

For their part, local media asserted that numerous destroyers and frigates carried out patrol missions and combat drills; just as they rehearsed the assault on fleeing hostile ships.

Mainly, the Chinese military vessels were active in the northwest, southwest and east of Taiwan. In this regard, the spokesman for the Russian presidency, Dmitri Peskov, told the press "China has the sovereign right to react to these provocative actions, for example by carrying out maneuvers."

China has considered Taiwan a rebel province since Kuomintang nationalists withdrew to the island in 1949 after losing the civil war against the Communist Party.

Taiwan is one of the biggest issues of conflict between China and the US; since Washington is the main supplier of arms to Taiwan and its biggest military ally in the event of a war in the region.

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