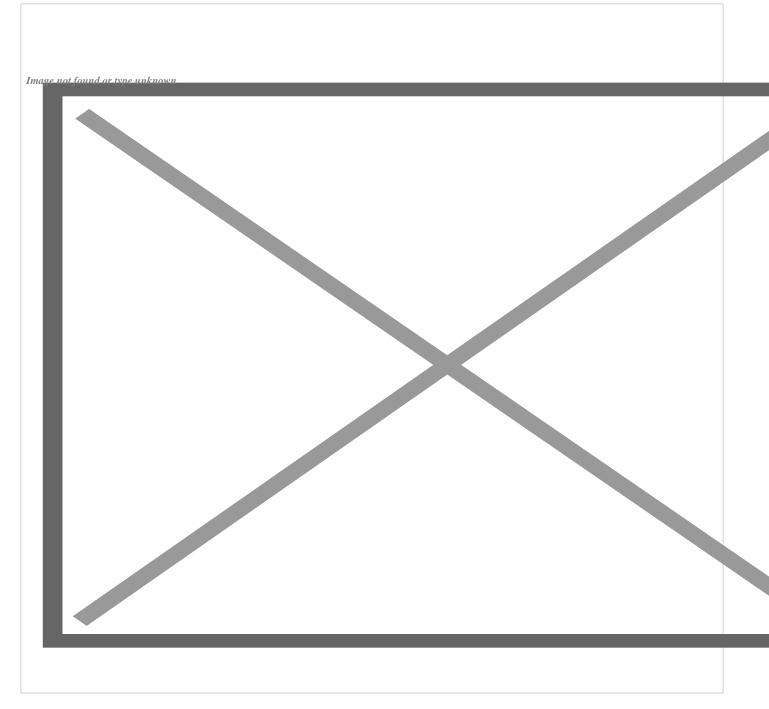
Díaz-Canel in tribute to Silvio at the University of Havana



Havana, June 2 (RHC)-- Miguel Díaz-Canel Bermúdez, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba and President of the Republic, attended this Friday the awarding of the Doctor Honoris Causa Degree to Silvio Rodríguez, at the University of Havana.

The University of Havana awarded the Doctor Honoris Causa in Social Sciences and Humanities and the Cuban troubadour received from the hands of the institution's rector, Miriam Nicado, the most important award conferred by the capital's university.

Nicado recalled the work of the founder of the New Trova Movement and professor Manuel Calviño pronounced the words of praise to the troubadour, in a ceremony in which several Cuban artists and intellectuals participated.

Calviño stressed that Silvio has been a sleepless inquirer of Cuban society, and has struggled to make it better. "The Revolution belongs to those who feel it and embrace it, and he unequivocally embraced it," he said.

Similarly, the troubadour received a folder with posters created by Design students, which allude to his emblematic songs.

"It is indescribable to be recognized by this institution through which so many personalities have passed and made history, and especially if this happens in the country where we were born, to say thank you is not enough for such a generous gesture", said the author of Ojalá, and evoked important moments that unite him to the house of high studies.

His investiture is considered the last action of the professional program of the International Scientific Convention of the University of Havana, Saber UH, inaugurated last Monday at the Yara movie theater.

Silvio Rodriguez is one of the contemporary Cuban composers with more national and international recognition, and this condition recognizes the scope of his work, which includes the musical composition and lyrics of hundreds of songs.

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