

# *Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis praises Cuban medical collaboration*

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Havana, March 16 (RHC)-- The Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Terrance Drew, praised this Sunday in Basseterre the continued assistance provided by Cuban medical collaboration to his country, where professionals are treated with dignity.

"These Cuban personnel contribute to strengthening our health system," Drew stated, clarifying that there are ties of equity and respect, and that they enjoy the same rights and privileges as their local colleagues.

He said that "since 2003, St. Kitts and Nevis has welcomed Cuban professionals who came not as strangers, but as family, helping us build a stronger, healthier, and more resilient nation."

Regarding labor practices, he dismissed all US accusations of exploitation and assured that Cuban professionals receive compensation according to the salary scale established by the government.

"We have never tolerated, nor will we tolerate, human trafficking practices on our shores or anywhere else," the prime minister reaffirmed.

Quoted by the Associated Times website, Drew argued: "Cuban health personnel in St. Kitts and Nevis receive comfortable housing at government expense and enjoy fair working conditions, including vacation time and standard work hours."

He added that the professionals own their passports and have all types of permits to travel abroad.

Drew thus responds to threats from the United States government to sanction countries that admit healthcare personnel from the largest island in the Antilles into their population care program to improve quality of life.

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