## Venezuela, Cuba and Honduras commit to tourism: A new economic model



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Caracas, May 13 (RHC)-- Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro reported this Monday that during the ALBA-Tourism International Fair held in Havana, agreements were signed with Cuba and Honduras in the tourism sector as part of the drive for a new economic model.

"Several agreements were signed there with Cuba, a tourism powerhouse, and with Honduras, which is also seeking a path to tourism development," the president emphasized. He noted that "tourism must develop in various circles of influence," noting that within our region, one of those circles is "intra-Caribbean and Latin American tourism." Regarding the agreements, he emphasized that "it is a multifaceted, organic, and harmonious advance of a new economic model."

In the context of the signing, Venezuelan Tourism Minister Leticia Gómez stated that "constructive and proactive discussions were held on new proposals to link destinations, designing innovative strategies to increase the routes and frequency connecting our sister countries."

"The active involvement of airlines in the evaluation of our opportunities, the creation of incentives for operations, and the facilitation of procedures and operational permits are firm commitments to the construction of air bridges," Gómez added.

Meanwhile, President Maduro emphasized that "the countries of the South (have) the right to development. We are not countries that can be threatened or subjugated," he added, referring to the fact that the nations involved are not and will not be willing to be accountable to the countries of the North.

He insisted that "we will never, ever, fight for domination. If the brutal North, as José Martí calls it, wants to talk someday, we will talk, but with respect. If they come with disrespect, get out of here."

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