

FAO Recognizes Work of Cuba in Food Security



Havana, May 29 (Prensa Latina) Cuba's efforts in the fight against hunger and to achieve food security amidst difficult economic conditions, was recognized Friday by the FAO representative in Cuba.

The representative of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Theodor Friedrich, praised at a press conference that the main strength of the Caribbean nation has been the concern and occupation of their authorities for food availability and nutrition.

With programs and social policies against poverty, this country met the goals set in the Development Objectives of the Millennium and the World Food Summit, which is demonstrated with a prevalence of undernourishment below five percent since 2005, highlighted Friedrich.

He stressed that these results allow Cuba to settle today among the 16 nations with success in reducing hunger in Latin America and the Caribbean, a region with significant advances in the fight against this scourge in the world.

During the past 25 years Cuba has been solving basic needs of the population in relation to food, enabling to reach 3,533 calories a day per person in the 2014-16 triennium.

This indicator makes it one of the countries with the highest calorie food availability per capita in the region, he said.

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