

# *Mahmoud Abbas arrives in Havana, begins official visit*

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Havana. May 11 (RHC)-- The president of the State of Palestine, Mahmoud Abbas, arrived in Havana Thursday evening on an official visit.

Abbas, who also leads the Executive Committee of the Organization for the Liberation of Palestine (PLO), was received at the Jose Marti International Airport by Rogelio Sierra Diaz, Cuban deputy foreign minister.

The Palestinian president meets on Friday with his Cuban counterpart, Miguel Díaz-Canel. Before his departure on Saturday, he will visit the Latin American School of Medicine, west of Havana, where 90 young Palestinians are currently studying.

Cuba is the last leg of Abbas' Latin American tour, which included visits to Venezuela and Chile.

Cuba has repeatedly expressed its support for a comprehensive, just and lasting settlement to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and its unwavering support for the right of the Palestinian people to constitute their State, with East Jerusalem as its capital and within the borders prior to 1967.

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