

# *Cuban researcher affirms that current status of Helms Burton Title III affects Cuba*

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Havana, February 28 (RHC)-- Cuban researcher Olga Rosa González says that the mere announcement by US Government that it would decide in a period of 45 days if it would wave or not Title III of the Helms Burton Law affects the island.

The US State Department made the announcement last January 16.

The deputy director of the Havana-based Center for Hemispheric Studies and the United States, said that the decision influences what is called risk perception by companies or people from abroad interested in investing in Cuba.

The application of the Title III of the Helms Burton Law, would pave the way for U.S. citizens to sue foreign companies and individuals over properties confiscated from them during the early years of the Revolution.

"The announcement of this measure causes uncertainty and as a result, those interested in investing in Cuba might wait until the final decision of the White House, and this could slow down the Cuban economic development, already hit by a blockade of more than 55 years imposed by the United States

government," the expert said.

The completion of the 45 days announced by the State Department will take place in early March.

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