



URGENT – SOLIDARITY WITH CUBA

PSI Inter-America condemns in the strongest possible terms the ongoing criminal, violent, and inhumane economic blockade unilaterally imposed on Cuba by the United States. For decades, the Cuban people have endured this blockade, which constitutes a violation of the United Nations Charter and has been condemned year after year by the overwhelming majority of the international community. In addition to this economic warfare, Cuba continues to face persistent attacks on its sovereignty and right to self-determination by the United States.

Recent actions by the Trump Administration have further exacerbated an already US-manufactured humanitarian crisis. Threats against companies and governments that deliver oil shipments to Cuba, through the imposition of additional tariffs and sanctions, have sharply restricted Cuba's access to fuel. Reports indicate that Cuba has only two weeks of oil reserves remaining, placing hospitals, schools, public services, and households at serious risk. These measures deliberately deepen suffering and place lives in danger.

The blockade itself causes avoidable hardship, illness, and death among the Cuban people every year. Its intensification follows months of sanctions, seizures, and interference targeting Venezuelan oil shipments, further depriving Cuba of essential energy supplies. Sanctions and regime-change policies are war by other means. They are incompatible with peace, the human right to dignity, and the principle of national sovereignty.

PSI Inter-America, in unity with the request of the Central Workers' Union of Cuba (CTC), therefore calls on all affiliates, and on trade unions throughout the Americas, to:

- Stand in active solidarity with the people of Cuba and publicly oppose the US blockade by raising their voices in protest, in every possible arena, to condemn this arbitrary and immoral measure.
- Demand that their governments take immediate and concrete action to defend international law, continue trade relations with Cuba, and ensure the delivery of all contractual and humanitarian goods.
- Advocate in all multilateral bodies for continued support for Cuba in the face of this ongoing economic aggression.
- Mobilize members to contact elected representatives through coordinated phone calls, emails, and letters demanding an end to the blockade.

- Press national labor centers to carry these demands forward on behalf of the entire labor movement.
- Organize and collect humanitarian and solidarity aid for Cuba.
- Where possible, organize delegations to Cuba, including participation in the May 1 demonstrations in Havana and the Solidarity Conference on May 2, and consider earlier solidarity visits.

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