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**President Miguel Díaz-Canel in exchange with the people during a government visit. Autor: Tomada de la versión digital de Radio Rebelde Publicado: 29/02/2020 | 01:08 pm**

## **We have morality to be a member of the Human Rights Council, Cuban President affirms**

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Cuban president joins his message to the information published in Granma newspaper, which announced that Cuba has decided to submit its candidacy for membership in the Human Rights Council for 2021-2023, as confirmed by foreign minister Bruno Rodriguez in Geneva.

If we speak of a true commitment to the promotion and protection of all human rights for all individuals and nations of the world - without double standards, manipulation, politicization and selectivity of the issue - our country proudly shows important achievements at the international level, Rodriguez said.

Last year, the Cuban people ratified the Constitution of the Republic in a referendum. The results of the process confirmed the people's firm support for the political system they have freely chosen and for the Cuban revolution. The country's Magna Carta establishes human rights which are still a dream for other people in the world.

Despite nearly six decades of the U.S. blockade, the Caribbean island has fulfilled the eight Millennium Development Goals and their targets, three of them before the 2015 timeline, and is now fully committed to fulfilling Agenda 2030 and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals, with some targets already achieved. More than 400,000 health care workers have completed missions in 164 nations and thanks to the "Yo sí puedo"(Yes I Can) literacy program, more than nine million people have been taught to read and write in 30 nations.

Havana hosted the dialogues between the Colombian government and the FARC-EP, which ended with the signing of the Peace Agreement, and in February 2016 hosted a historic meeting between Pope Francis and His Holiness Kiril, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, first meeting of the leaders of the two churches after the schism of 1054.

Cuba also participated actively in the negotiations for the establishment of the Human Rights Council, was elected a founding member of the Council from 2006 to 2009, and a member for the periods 2009-2012, 2014-2016 and 2017-2019, the latter being the most voted country in the region. From June 2011 to June 2012 it assumed one of the vice-presidencies of the Council, representing our America.

With this candidacy, Cuba will continue to provide the international community with its experience in dialogue and cooperation in favor of human rights.

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