

AGREEMENTS OF THE REGIONAL MEETING FOR THE AMERICAS AND THE CARIBBEAN OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL

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As a follow-up to the themes of the World Peace Council Assembly CMP, the Regional Meeting for the Americas and the Caribbean of the World Peace Council was held in the Province of Santiago de Cuba on May 6 of this year, with the participation of a group of representatives and guests from organizations in the region from 10 countries. We also had the presence of other regions as guests.

The meeting was chaired by the Executive Secretary of the World Peace Council, Iraklis Tsavdaridis and Fernando González Llort, president of the Cuban Institute of Friendship with Peoples. It was attended by representatives and guests from organizations in the region from Argentina, Australia, Barbados, Brazil, Canada, USA, Mexico, Nicaragua, Puerto Rico and Venezuela.

The central theme of the meeting was the defense of Peace, as well as the defense of the Proclamation of Latin America and the Caribbean as a Zone of Peace.

Among other issues discussed were the ratification of Cuba's status as Regional Coordinator for the Americas and the Caribbean of the World Peace Council; the promotion of respect for the sovereignty and self-determination of peoples and the further strengthening of the CMP; and the continued condemnation of the economic, financial and commercial blockade imposed by US imperialism; and the inclusion of Cuba on the spurious list of countries allegedly sponsoring terrorism.

It also condemns and denounces the model of hybrid and multifaceted warfare that the United States is waging against countries such as Cuba, Venezuela and Nicaragua, where political, economic, financial, diplomatic and media tools are used to hinder the development and peace of peoples.

The agreements unanimously approved were:

- To denounce the existence of more than 800 military bases and facilities owned by the United States with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) around the world and to demand their dismantlement.
- 2. To reactivate, in the Americas and the Caribbean region, the World Peace Council, the Global Campaign against U.S.-NATO Military Bases, an issue to be addressed at the Washington D.C. Summit to be held on July 7 and 8, including the possibility of organizing a meeting of the World Peace Council in unison.
- 3. Continue to carry out mass actions on 21 September International Day of Peace, coordinated with other peace-loving organizations.
- 4. To promote unity in defence of sovereignty, the free self-determination of peoples and the preservation of the environment.
- Continue actions of solidarity with the peoples and governments of Venezuela, Nicaragua and Cuba in defense of their revolutionary processes.
- 6. To support the convening by the Caribbean Movement for Peace and Integration of a Conference of Solidarity with Cuba and Venezuela on 6 October, the International Day against Terrorism adopted by CARICOM.

- 7. Demand that the UN Security Council fulfils its mandate to end the impunity of the Israeli government for the genocide it is committing against the Palestinian people with the complicity of imperialism.
- 8. To welcome the date of 29 November as a date of action in solidarity with Palestine.
- 9. To continue to support the Haitian people in their struggle for national sovereignty and self-determination and to condemn any foreign intervention.
- 10. Multiply the battle on digital platforms to confront the lie campaigns of imperialism and its major media that manipulate the realities of our country.
- 11. To continue to express our solidarity with the peace process that the Colombian government and people are undertaking in the country.
- 12. Mobilize and step up actions to ensure that the United States Government puts an end to the economic, commercial and financial embargo, which damages the development of the Cuban people.
- 13. Demand the exclusion of Cuba from the spurious list of alleged sponsors of terrorism, imposed unilaterally, illegally and immorally by the U.S. government.
- 14. Continue to improve the work among the member organizations of the region in order to achieve greater coordination of actions in defense of peace.
- 15. Continue to strengthen the WPC, including friendly organizations defending peace.
- 16. Promote the participation of new generations in order to ensure greater awareness and generate actions in favour of the principles and postulates of peace.

- 17. To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the World Peace Council, with the realization of actions all over the world in defense of peace, under the slogan of struggle "For a World of Peace and Social Justice".
- 18. The participants in the Regional Meeting for the Americas and the Caribbean of the World Peace Council endorse the agreements adopted at the 8th International Seminar against Military and Foreign Bases, held recently in Guantánamo City on May 4 and 5, and undertake to disseminate them by all possible means and to give concrete expression to what they say.