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Cuban Deputies Support Nation's Economic Course

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Members of the National Assembly of People's Power gathered in four commissions expressed this Wednesday their support to the improvement of the conceptualization of the Cuban economic and social model.

Cuban first Vice-President Miguel Diaz-Canel Bermudez said that in a sovereign exercise of democracy, we have valued and passed the documents that will guide the country's future.

He added that with the process of popular consultation and analysis, in which our deputies participated, the strengthening of the guidelines to be followed for development was concretized.

In this parliamentary day, the deputies also received information on the Basis of the National Plan of Economic and Social Development until 2030: Vision of the Nation, Axes and Strategic Sectors.

### **Defending the Principles of Socialism**

If property concentration is allowed, socialism is over, Marino Murillo, member of

the Political Bureau assured during the discussions of the guiding documents of the country's economic future.

In the Convention Palace of Havana, members of the permanent commissions on Economic, Constitutional and Legal Affairs and Attention to Services, discussed paragraph by paragraph the three documents the National Assembly must pass.

A statement by parliamentarian Pastor Batista from Las Tunas raised a heated discussion on the concentration of property and wealth, in which representatives of Granma, Villa Clara and Guantanamo participated.

### **Necessary Clarifications**

The head of the Permanent Commission for the Implementation and Development of the Guidelines, Marino Murillo, explained the deputies all the proposals collected by the documents marking the economic direction of the country.

Tax policies, tax regime are very important because one of their functions is the redistribution of wealth, the Vice-President of the Council of Ministers said, when exchanging with the members of the permanent commissions of Economic, Constitutional and Legal Affairs and Attention to Services.

In this sense, Murillo recalled non-agricultural cooperatives have a smaller tax burden than self-employed workers, because that form of management creates a collective wealth.

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