

Cuba reiterates commitment to fight against corruption in UN Human Rights Council

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Geneva, July 13 (RHC)-- Cuba reaffirmed at the UN Human Rights Council its commitment to the fight against corruption, and called for it to always be addressed with respect for the sovereignty of countries.

Speaking in an interactive dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the Independence of Judges and Lawyers, Diego García-Sayán, Cuban representative Jairo Rodríguez noted that the island had successfully completed two cycles of the review mechanism of the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

Likewise, the work to implement recommendations derived from this process continues, he said in the forum framed in the 44th ordinary session of the Council, which ends on Friday in Geneva.

According to the diplomat, Cuba attaches importance to the issue of the independence, impartiality and probity of judges, prosecutors, lawyers and comptrollers, an issue widely discussed in the comments of the rapporteur and speakers from various countries.

Rodríguez insisted on Cuba's position to advocate the treatment of the issue of the fight against corruption from a strict adherence to the principles and purposes of the UN Charter, in particular sovereignty and equality among States.

With respect to the report presented by García-Sayán, he stated that Cuba "generally shares many of the proposals contained therein and is already implementing many of its recommendations."