

German Organization Ratifies Solidarity with Cuban Five

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German solidarity group CUBA SI in coordination with the Caribbean nation, ratified Tuesday its support for the cause by the release of the Cuban anti-terrorist fighters unjustly imprisoned in the United States since 1998. During a meeting with Cuban antiterrorist and vice president of the Cuban Institute of Friendship with Peoples of the World (ICAP) Fernando González, the members of the solidarity group with Cuba expressed their willingness to continue their actions in favour of the release of the Cuban patriots and antiterrorists.

We are ready, as always, to support the cause of the Cuban Five (as the fighters are known internationally), stated the Coordinator of Cuba Si, Konstantin Seeger, who recalled also the opposition of his group to the so-called common position of the European Union and against the economic blockade imposed on Cuba by the United States.

Seeger also announced that Cuba Si will support activities to the International Day for the Freedom of the Cuban Five that will start on September 4 and will last until October 6, including a vigil outside the White House on September 12, the day in which 16 years of the unjust imprisonment of the anti-terrorists, are reached.

Among those activities, he said that his group will carry out a cultural gala for the Cuban patriots and protests in front of the US Embassy in Berlin in support of such a cause.

Meanwhile, Fernando González thanked the group for their support for the struggle for the freedom of Gerardo Hernández, Ramón Labañino and Antonio Guerrero and urged for stronger efforts.

"The cause of the Cuban Five is best known not only in Germany but in Europe, because this work of solidarity that you do today," said González to highlight the contribution that Cuba Si gives with its experience of working in favour of the release of the Cuban Five.

Hernández, Labañino, and Guerrero, together with René González and Fernando González, were arrested by U.S.



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authorities in 1998 to prevent the violent actions by anti-Cuban terrorist groups from U.S. territory.

Of them, only Rene and Fernando returned to Cuba after fully completing their respective penal sentences, while the remaining three are still in prison long sentences, despite the international campaign calling for their release and soon return to the island.

Equally, the ICAP vice president thanked Cuba Si for their contribution in the recent donation of personal property of Tamara Bunke, only female fighter of guerrilla Ernesto Che Guevara in Bolivia, known as Tania La Guerrilera.