2019 Starts with Intense Exchange between Cuba and Nicaragua

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Managua, Jan 1 (Prensa Latina) The year of 2019 has started with an intense exchange between Cuba and Nicaragua, a stage that will undoubtedly strengthen bilateral relations even more, Cuban Ambassador to Nicaragua Juan Carlos Hernandez said.

In January, the head of the Nicaraguan Institute of Culture, Luis Morales, will participate in the event For the balance of the World, which will take place in Havana; while young people from Nicaragua will be part of the 1st Central American Solidarity Brigade with Cuba, the diplomat added.

We know about the attendance of prestigious professionals from education at Pedagogy 2019, scheduled from February 4 to 8 at Havana's Convention Center, Hernandez pointed out. Another action is the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the triumph of the Cuban Revolution, a series of tributes coordinated by the Presidency of the Republic, with the direct participation of President Daniel Ortega and Vice President Rosario Murillo, the ambassador noted.

On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the triumph of the Cuban Revolution on Monday, the Sandinista leaders sent a message of congratulations to the

Cuban government and people, reiterated hours later by President Ortega in his televised message to the entire country for the end of the year.

Special ties unite us with Nicaragua, explained the Cuban diplomat, not only the permanent solidarity since the triumph of the Sandinista Revolution, but they go back to the 19th century, in times of Jose Marti and Ruben Dario, two exceptional men who were treated with great respect. When Nicaragua was shaken by an earthquake in 1972, Cuba offered its selfless help although Nicaragua was ruled by Dictator Somoza, the same who sold arms to Fulgencio Batista's regime and lent its territory as a base of operations for the mercenary invasion on Bay of Pigs (Playa Giron) in 1961.

The benefits of such important relationship, said Hernandez, are evident in more than 1,200 Nicaraguans who have graduated from the Latin American School of Medicine, and professionals graduated from other Cuban universities in several specialties. We must not forget that the support provided by Cuban personnel to the National Literacy Crusade after the triumph of the Revolution in 1979 was crucial, also after the return of Sandinismo to power in 2007 with the methods Yes I Can and I Can Follow, recalled the Cuban diplomat.

Finally, he recalled Operation Miracle, which gave back vision to millions of people in Nicaragua and other countries around the world.