

Association of Caribbean States Highlights Cuban Cooperation

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The preparatory meeting for the Council of Ministers of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS) highlighted in this capital the work carried out by Cuba in cooperation with that geographical area.

This was confirmed in recent statements to Prensa Latina by the director of Latin America and the Caribbean in the Cuban chancellery, Eugenio Martínez, who headed the Cuban delegation at the first segment of the 8th Summit of the organization.

The Secretary General of the ACS, June Soomer, described as excellent the cooperation projects that Cuba offers to the Caribbean area, said Martínez.

The delegations of Jamaica, Mexico and Panama also spoke in that regard, he said.

Cuba brought to the meeting in Managua a message of support for the revitalization of the ACS, as agreed at the Havana Summit in 2016.

That agreement, which involved a review of the structure and work for a year and a half of a working group appointed for that purpose, sought to strengthen the role of the ACS as a mechanism for concertation and cooperation in the Greater Caribbean area, the Cuban diplomat recalled.

The cooperation policy of Havana highlights issues such as the one that focuses the attention of the Managua Summit, the confrontation of climate change, according to Martínez 'very relevant to a region hit by several natural phenomena.'

The top official from the Cuban Foreign Ministry said that in the opening session, the secretary general commented on the progress in the field of cooperation, including the notable increase in funds received during the last triennium.

On this work front, the search for relations with third parties, observer countries, that have supported projects in the Caribbean, on all European and Asian nations stands out.

The above shows that the AEC is a necessary structure, it is not paralyzed and in which there is a broad spirit of collaboration among its members and associated states, concluded Martínez.

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