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Vi?t Nam will make all efforts to deepen ties with Cuba: Politburo member

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The Party, State and people of Vi?t Nam will make every effort to consolidate and deepen traditional, special friendship with Cuba, said Tr??ng Th? Mai, Politburo member and head of the Communist Party of Vi?t Nam (CPV) Central Committee's Commission for Mass Mobilisation, during her meetings with Cuban leaders this week.

Mai, who is also Chairwoman of the Vi?t Nam-Cuba Friendship Association, led a high-ranking Party delegation to pay a working visit to Cuba and attend the 29th International Book Fair of Havana, in which Vi?t Nam is a guest of honour, from February 4-8.

While in Cuba, Mai met with Cuban President Miguel D?az-Canel Berm?dez, President of the Cuban National Assembly of People's Power Esteban Lazo Hern?ndez, Second Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba Jos? Ram?n Machado Ventura and Secretary General of the Cuban Women's Federation Teresa Mar?a Amarelle Bou?.

At the meetings, she affirmed Vi?t Nam's consistent stance to support Cuban's revolutionary cause and struggle for an immediate and unconditional end to the economic, trade and financial embargo against Cuba.

Cuban leaders spoke highly of the visit and thanked Vi?t Nam for its presence at the book fair which launched a series of upcoming activities to mark the 60th anniversary of the Vi?t Nam-Cuba diplomatic relations (December 2, 1960-2020).

They reiterated the Party, State and people of Cuba attach importance to relations with Vi?t Nam and want to further strengthen the long-standing ties and comprehensive cooperation between the two Parties, States and people.

They congratulated Vi?t Nam on the successfully implementation of resolutions issued by the CPV's 12th National Congress and hoped for the success of the next congress, to be held in 2021.

In her remarks at the launch of the International Book Fair of Havana on February 6, Mai highly valued the effort of the Cuban Party and State for organising such a significant cultural event in times of hardship.

The presence of Vi?t Nam as a guest of honour is a chance for the two countries to enhance the mutual understanding and cultural exchange, and to beef up the bilateral ties.

Mai and Cuba's high-profile leaders cut the ribbon to launch Vi?t Nam's pavilion at the fair which features more than 700 books and 2,000 publications in different languages, including Vietnamese, Spanish and English.

Deputy Minister of Culture, Sports and Tourism Ph?m Anh Tu?n described the book fair as one of the biggest of its kind in Latin America.

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