
Che Guevara's daughter to speak in Sheffield

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A campaigner from Cuba comes to Sheffield next Tuesday when the eldest daughter of Che Guevara speaks at two events in the city.

Dr Aleida Guevara will address a meeting at Sheffield University in the afternoon before speaking at the Quaker Meeting House in the evening.

Dr Guevara's visit is part of a short nationwide speaking tour organised by the Cuba Solidarity Campaign.

Che Guevara, who was born Ernesto, was one of the three leaders of the Cuban revolution that took place in 1959 and was killed by US-backed forces during a failed revolution in Bolivia in 1967.

His daughter Aleida works as a paediatrician in the Cuban capital, Havana.

Dr Guevara will talk about Cuba's response to the Ebola epidemic currently unfolding in West Africa, and about ending the US economic and trade blockade of the Caribbean island that has existed for over 50 years.

She will also call for the release of three remaining prisoners - part of the Cuban or Miami Five - in prison in the US for spying.

Tim Plant, chair of the Sheffield group of the campaign, said: "We are delighted that Aleida Guevara will be speaking in Sheffield. She is a charismatic and inspirational speaker."