

## Cuba

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The International Democracy Union considering:

The serious and systematic violations of human rights that take place in the Republic of Cuba, where over a thousand political prisoners have been convicted mainly for peacefully expressing their anti-government views in public demonstrations, among them seniors and over one hundred women;

Taking note of the inability and lack of interest of the Cuban government in guaranteeing its citizens a country where they can have a dignified life, which has produced, in just the last 2 years, the emigration of more than 425,000 Cubans, mostly to the United States, thus raising the exile population to almost 3 million, out of a total population of 11 million citizens;

Being certain that if the noble and very capable Cuban people could live in freedom, they would be perfectly capable of reconstructing their country, we demand of the Cuban regime the following:

1) To initiate a process of peaceful transition toward a multi-party democracy and a social market economy open to all political views and without exclusions of any member of the civil society,

2) The immediate end of all political repression; the abolition of all laws that criminalize the exercise of rights and the freedom of all political prisoners and conscientious objectors.

3) To allow free access to Cuba for all Cubans, wherever they live, so they can participate in the reconstruction -with the assistance of the international community- of their country.



4) To cease interference and meddling in the internal affairs of other countries and to stop its support for Russia and other enemies of democracy and freedom.

We call upon all the democratic governments of the world, particularly of Latin America, the United States, the European Union, and the Paris Club, to support these demands as they represent the best way to solve the very serious crisis that Cuba faces and to end so much unnecessary suffering.