

Cuba Denounces US-EU Coup Plans

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Editorial Note

Global Research brings to the attention of our readers two articles that report of Cuban charges that certain nations within the European Union are assisting and collaborating with the United States in plans to oust the Cuban government and install a new Cuban government in Havana that would be hospitable to the corporate interests of the United States.

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Cuba Denounces New EU Pro-US Plot

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A new pro-US plot on Cuba within the European Union (EU) is planned Wednesday by some country members to undermine the island's independence.

According to Granma newspaper the anticuban plan seeks to apply the wish by George W. Bush's administration to materialize a common position aimed at threatening the Cuban sovereignty.

Prepared by the so-called "Group of Friends for a Democratic Cuba" is led by the Czech Republic and followed by Poland, among other countries of the also denominated converted group, the plot seeks the EU interference in Cuban internal affairs in order to overthrow the government.

Other nations on the group are Slovakia, Hungary, Lithuania and Slovenia.

Granma states that position would even more affect bilateral interests of European countries interested in normal relations with the Caribbean island, and those of their citizens.

Granma recalls it was United States the one that, through former rightist President of the Spanish Government Jose Maria Aznar, hanged over the EU in 1996 the adopted Common Position to Havana, which has maintained since then bilateral relations in a "black alley".

In contrast, the EU follows an evasive and silent line faced with tortures and humiliations by hundreds of people illegally detained in US naval base in Guantanamo, Cuba and other secret places of the world, the daily denounces.

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New Anti-Cuban Plot Brewing in the European Union

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Several media outlets are reporting on a new plot brewing against Cuba within the European Union by several of the 27-member nations whose governments are well known for their servility to the United States and their failed obsessions of seeing the destruction of the Cuban Revolution.

The most recent maneuver, led by the Czech Republic and supported by Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Lithuania and Slovenia —all so-called converted Eastern European countries—, seeks to bring to fruition to Washington's dream of forging a "common agenda" between the US and the EU to undermine the independence and sovereignty of the Cuban people.

The plan, spearheaded by the "Friends of a Democratic Cuba" —a group organized by and under the direct orders of the White House— seeks to coerce the Old Continent to become involved in what it calls its "short and long term strategy" towards Cuba.

Translated into good English, the intention of the "converted" Eastern European nations is to have the EU once again take an approach of interference towards Cuba, and join the years-old US goal of overthrowing the island's legitimate government.

Approval of this EU plan, covertly manufactured and promoted since last year by the Bush Administration, would further hamper bilateral relations between the European nations and Cuba, and the citizens of those countries who wish to see normal relations with the island.

Ties between Cuba and the European Union have also been affected as of late by similarly macabre Made-in-USA projects such as the so-called Common Position, implemented for more than a decade by the European bloc and a series of sanctions put into place in June 2003, which are temporarily suspended.

It was also the United States that, through the mediation of former Spanish President Jose Maria Aznar, dragged the EU into adopting the Common Position towards Havana in 1996, which has kept European relations with Cuba at a dead-end.

This selective and hypocritical posture of the EU with respect to Cuba, contrasts with the evasiveness and blatant silence towards the tortures and abuses daily committed by the US against individuals it illegally holds at its detention center in Guantanamo, and at other prisons around the world.

The EU has never forcefully pronounced itself against the CIA secret flights over European territory or the clandestine prisons it keeps with Europe.

To date, the European Union has shown itself incapable of formulating its own independent policy on Cuba; an assertion that may become even more evident if the block allows US satellite countries, like the Czech Republic, to impose its designs on the regional bloc.

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