

Video: The 2018 Elections and Democracy in Revolutionary Cuba

Interview with Cuban Parliamentarian Juan Carlos Rodriguez Diaz

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On March 11, 2018, over 7 million Cubans went to the polls to elect a new National Assembly of People's Power. The election of the National Assembly is one step in the process which will culminate in mid-April with the vote by the National Assembly for the country's new State Council, and soon after, they will elect Cuba's new President. Two distinguished Cubans embarked on a tour of nine Canadian cities in late march and early April of 2018 to help break down the mechanics of the Cuban democratic system and address related questions from audiences nationwide. This event was organized by the Canadian Network on Cuba and various partner organizations across Canada.

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Michael Welch of Global Research TV had a chance to interview the visiting dignitaries during the Winnipeg leg of the tour. The video was recorded and prepared by Winnipegbased community videographer <u>Paul S. Graham</u>.

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