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Message from the Italian Communist Party to the Cuban Leadership

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Summary:

The Italian Communist Party sends a message to the Cuban government expressing their hope that the Organization of American States (OAS) will begin to see the Cuban perspective and that "the decisions of the OAS cannot suspend the Cuban truth from the American continent."

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To the Leadership of the Integrated Revolutionary Organization

HAVANA

While our worry about the dangers of military aggression against the Republic of Cuba lingers on, it is our desire to explain to the Cuban people and its government the fraternal and active solidarity of the communists and all of the Italian democrats, together with the condemnation of the anti-democratic decisions made by the Conference of Punta del Este.

Even if the final vote gives a fictitious majority to the United States, reducing the Organization of American States from a regional organization analogous to the United Nations to a bloc with orders from Washington, we highly value the fact that the major countries of Latin America - such as Brazil, Mexico, Chile, Ecuador - where the resistance to the penetration of North American imperialism is the strongest, where the political and social life is more rich - they did not cede to the pressures and they did not accept the open intervention and foreign interference against a revolution that is proceeding rapidly, that reveals itself able to collect always the largest consensus and is able to split the imperialist front.

The decisions of the OAS cannot suspend the Cuban truth from the American continent, the truth of a population that fights for its right to a peaceful and independent life and with the knowledge that this happened as a choice, lining up on the side of forces of the world that are for peaceful coexistence, disarmament and negotiations, for progress by way of popular socialism on every continent.

To you, to your leader Fidel Castro, to all of your citizens [that] gather together in a great protest, we renew our full solidarity, our encouragement, our best wishes for new successes, that they are successes for all of the people who love liberty and peace.

The Secretary of the PCI