



## **End US terrorism and pressure against Cuba!**

On 13 May, the US state department announced that it was listing Cuba as a country that does not fully co-operate with the USA in fighting terrorism. This step follows the decision in January this year to list Cuba as a country which supports terrorism. In justifying its most recent move, the US claimed that there are at least 11 US citizens who have fled that country and who Cuba refuses to hand over to them. These individuals are mostly political refugees who have fled US state terrorism, particularly during the violent suppression of the black liberation movement in the 1960s and 70s. The idea that refusing to hand over political refugees to their tormentors means not fighting against terrorism is a ridiculous one. In reality, this is a flimsy pretext, behind which the US seeks to intensify its policy to suffocate Cuba and her people with the sole aim of overthrowing the Cuban government and replacing it with a puppet regime.

First of all, as a major source of terrorism across the world, the US regime is in no position to be passing judgment on others with regard to this matter. Apart from its countless wars of aggression, coups, practice of gruesome torture at places like Abu Ghraib and CIA sites around the world and its active participation in the ongoing genocide against the Palestinians, the US has a long history and carrying out and promoting terrorist activities in many countries. Its Operation Gladio in post war Europe carried out numerous terrorist attacks on those deemed to be its political opponents. It directed the contras' terrorist campaign in Nicaragua, terrorism by al Qaida and Islamic state across the middle East and terrorist attacks inside Iran.

To add insult to injury, Cuba has in fact been a principal victim of US terrorism. From Operation Mongoose, authorised by President Kennedy in 1961 to today, the US has carried out numerous terrorist attacks against Cuba. These have included, in Cuba, assassination of individuals and setting off bombs in public buildings such as hotels and, outside Cuba, attacks on diplomatic staff and embassies. In 1976, in one of its most outrageous terrorist acts, the US blew up Cubana Flight 455 off the coast of Barbados, killing all 73 people on board. The US also provides protection to the perpetrators of these acts. For example, Luis Posada Carriles and Orlando Bosch Avila, who were behind the Cubana airline bombing and attacks on hotels in Cuba, lived peacefully in Miami under the protection of the United States until their deaths. In 2024, the US released from custody, on the grounds of insanity, Alexander Alazo, who had launched a machine gun attack on Cuba's Washington embassy. In response to this latest move, Cuba [pointed out](#) that "the Cuban government has still received no reply to requests for information on the identity of the perpetrator of the terrorist attack against the Cuban Embassy in 2023, nor to the requests on 61 people and 19 organizations based in the U.S. with links to terrorist acts against Cuba". Addressing the human toll of US terrorism against that country, the Cuban Foreign Ministry in a [2024 statement](#) noted that up to that point, these attacks had killed 3,478 Cubans and injured 2,099, leaving them with disabilities. It is the US regime which needs to be in the dock for carrying out terrorist activities, shielding

and protecting their perpetrators and refusing to cooperate to have them brought to justice.

Condemn US terrorism against Cuba!  
Remove Cuba from the US' terrorism lists!  
Lift the blockade and let Cuba live!

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