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## We ask for your support and donations for the 5-year-European-project of mediCuba-Europa (MCE) for the strategic development of microbiological diagnostics in Cuba.

**MediCuba Europa(MCE)** was founded 20 years ago and has been known to many friends of Cuba for the supply of raw materials for the home production of medicine in Cuba. MCE has also supported the ELAM and strategic research and therapy in the fields of oncology and immunology. It includes the supply of cancer medication, which Cuba was denied to buy on the world market because of the US blockade and which Cuba needed desperately especially for the survival of its children during the special period. MCE also supplied specific medical technology facilities for operating rooms, laboratories and reagents.

*Aleida Guevara* thanked emotionally Cuba's solidarity groups at the meeting in Stockholm in November 2016 and asked intensely for a further support of MCE as a European project.

All actions of MCE are carefully coordinated with the persons responsible in Cuba (MINSAP- Ministry of Health) and they are facilitated considerably by a permanent representative in Havana.

At the moment MCE is preparing a 5-year-project (2017-2021) to improve microbiological diagnostics of viral, bacterial and parasitic infections also in the face of new challenges such as Zika and Ebola. Therefore apart from Havana two further centres in Villa Clara and Santiago de Cuba are to be installed or upgraded and equipped. Especially reagents, special laboratory equipment and the installation of an appropriate computer network are planned, furthermore the improvement of sample delivery and the instruction of staff. In the coming five years 2.7 million Euros will be required for the project and therefore it urgently needs the support of all friends of Cuba at European level.

You will find further information on the following website: <u>http://www.medicuba-europa.org/#proyectos</u>.

MediCuba Europa and the current project has many advantages: Its long-lasting experience in the field of medicine in Cuba, the close cooperation with Cuban authorities, which suggest projects and the fact that it gives us the opportunity to support Cuba at both the national and European levels.

Solidarity greetings

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