Presence and speeches of Fidel Castro recalled at UN



Celebrating the 94th anniversary of the birth of the leader of the Cuban Revolution, Fidel Castro (1926-2016), the island's mission to the United Nations recalls his time at the multilateral organization and also his speeches.

Through his official Twitter account, Cuba's alternate permanent representative to the UN, Ana Silvia Rodríguez, shared fragments of Fidel's speeches, such as the one delivered before the General Assembly in October 1979.

That was the second time the leader arrived at the United Nations headquarters in New York, after his first visit in September, 1960.

Fidel once again reiterated before the General Assembly the denunciation of systematic looting carried out by the great powers in poor countries and, once again, his speech received long ovations.

'The bombs will be able to kill the hungry, the sick, the ignorant, but they cannot kill hunger, diseases, ignorance. They cannot kill the just rebellion of the peoples,' he stressed at that time.

He also referred to the great inequalities existing around the world and questioned: Why do some peoples have to go barefoot, so that others travel in luxurious cars? Why do some have to live 35 years, so that others live 70? Why should some be miserably poor, so that others are exaggeratedly rich?

This is how the Cuban ambassador to the UN recalled through her official Twitter account.

Rodríguez also cited the passage in which Fidel warned that if the injustices and inequalities in the world

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could not be resolved peacefully and wisely, the future will be apocalyptic.

Fidel Castro is currently considered one of the most outstanding statesmen of the 20th century and is recognized internationally for his actions in pursuit of the unity of Latin American countries.

The Cuban leader was born in Birán, a town in eastern Cuba, on August 13, 1926, and from a very young age he took his first steps in the political life of that island, participated in the struggles against dictatorial governments established there until he led the Revolution that triumphed in 1959.

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