

Large-Scale Military Drills Begin Today in Cuba

CUBA, November 26, 2009. - The Bastion-2009 strategic exercises began yesterday across Cuba.

"The most important Cuban military drills in five years will take place with austerity but efficiently," said recently the deputy Chief of FAR's General Staff, Div. Gen. Leonardo Andollo, who added that, due to the current financial and economic limitations, the exercise will not have a massive nature.

After the exercise, the nation will celebrate the National Defense Day on Sunday with the participation of nearly four million people, who will take part in activities to protect the population and the economy and in the training of reserve units and the Territorial Militias, top military authorities announced.

To believe that a military aggression against Cuba by the United States is possible is not ludicrous as the Caribbean nation remains in Washington's list of "terrorist" countries and the US Government still regards Havana as "a threat" to its interests. (Taken from Cubaminrex-AIN)