

## **A SPURIOUS STATEMENT OF THE EUROPEAN PEOPLE'S PARTY.**

**In a shameless way, the European People's Party adopted yesterday an Anti-Cuban Statement aimed at continuing the gross political and mass-media campaign unleashed against Cuba.**

**This time, the European right, led by the People's Party of Spain as the main promoter and executor of this fascist offensive since its inception, is trying to question our country's respect for human rights. The pretext that has been used this time is the death of an ordinary convict, who was encouraged to go on a hunger strike by the criminal manipulations of those who now are telling the most slanderous lies and obtaining political benefits from his death.**

**It would be naïve not to realize that, behind this new montage against the Cuban nation, there is the ever-present complicity of Washington and the ultra-right of Miami that, with the renewed support of the European right and in a perfect ideological syntony, are seeking to besiege Cuba with the deliberate purpose of destroying the social and political system chosen by our people in a sovereign way.**

**It is embarrassing to see how parties and personalities of other political colours in Europe have been manipulated and have fallen blindly in the logic of a sick ultra-right, the same one that suppressed them, tortured them and murdered them in their own continent years ago and that now is trying to perpetuate - with a new face - a policy of neo-colonialism, interference and militarism, a legacy of the fascist ideas of Hitler, Mussolini and Franco.**

**There is a lack of principles, ideas, ethics and morals in the ranks of those who are condemning us today and are arrogating to themselves the right to ask the European Union to use its political and financial resources for destroying the Cuban Revolution or - as they call it - "for securing the political transition in Cuba". It is quite clear that, given their declared intentions, it is almost imperceptible the dividing line existing between their interests and aims and the criminal policy of blockade and aggressions of US imperialism against Cuba.**

**It is absolutely immoral that the European popular leaders are condemning the alleged violation of human rights in Cuba when up to now they have not been able to take to court even one of those responsible for the CIA secret flights or for the illegal aggression against Iraq. It would be proper to ask: Who will judge José María Aznar for supporting an illegal war in Iraq, a war that was waged against the will of the immense majority of the Spanish people, that was justified with blatant lies and that already has a toll of more than one million Iraqi innocent victims? Who will take the prime ministers of the European nations to court for authorizing the CIA to use their countries' territories to kidnap prisoners that, in several cases, were European citizens who**

were later tortured in secret prisons located in territories of the European Union itself or in the naval base of Guantanamo, the territory illegally occupied by the United States in Cuba?

We are now being attacked, under the hypocrisy of a false humanism, by those who are the most responsible for the worst world economic, financial, political, ecological, food and energy crisis that has been generated by capitalism and that is endangering the very existence of human life in our planet. We are being condemned by those who are exacerbating hatred, xenophobia, social exclusion, job precariousness, social inequalities, marginalization and poverty all over the world.

We Cubans are aware that, due to their own nature, those who have adopted this spurious condemnation can only generate injustice, discrimination and contempt for the Third World, for our rich and diverse cultures and for our different political experiences that, like in Cuba, are moved by lofty humane and solidary values.

Europe boasts of its vast political culture. Therefore, We hope that its political wisdom will prevail on this new crusade against the heroic Cuban people that have resisted all attempts to submit it for more than half a century and that nowadays are defending their right to the independence and sovereignty conquered on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1959.

It is because of this inalienable human right that the overwhelming majority of Cubans throughout the Island have unflinchingly reiterated that there will be no power in the world that can defeat our ideas, our deep convictions and principles.

**Communist Party of Cuba  
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