

Henry Reeve Cuban Medical Brigade in Haiti

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Members of the Henry Reeve Contingent of Doctors Specialized in Disaster Situations and Serious Epidemics are in some Haitian localities to take care of the victims of the earthquake that took place on Tuesday.

The medical brigade, which has experience in China, Pakistan, Guatemala, Indonesia and Bolivia, joined the rest of the health staff that was located there, which is helping citizens since the beginning of the tragedy.

Cuban authorities sent medicines, saline solutions and blood serum, food and provisions as part of the solidarity aid.

More than one thousand patients were seen and 19 operations were carried out up until Wednesday afternoon, reported Cuban Television.

It also informed that Joel Melo, who works in the School of Accounting and Finances at Havana University and was getting his master's degree there, is reported as seriously ill and Cuban doctors are taking care of him.

The 152 Cuban collaborators based in Puerto Principe, capital of Haiti, are in good conditions and only two of them suffered minor injuries.

Adalberto Bravo, Head of Education brigade, suffered a dislocation on his right knee and Alina Almeida, also from the same contingent, had a minor injury on her right leg.

Minister of Foreign Affairs Bruno Rodriguez told Cuban Television that Cuba has 403 collaborators in that island and 344 of them are part of the Health sector.

Rodriguez informed that a second field hospital will be opened soon in Puerto Principe and probably a third too.

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