

RECOMMENDATIONS ON IMPLEMENTING PRESIDENT TRUMP'S PROMISE ON CUBA



“[A]ll of the concessions that Barack Obama has granted the Castro regime were done with executive order, which means the next president can reverse them. And that is what I will do unless the Castro regime meets our demands ... [t]hose demands will include religious and political freedom for the Cuban people and the freeing of political prisoners.”

-President Donald J. Trump

Repeal and Replace of Obama-era Policy:

1. Repeal and replacement of the Presidential Policy Directive: United States-Cuba Normalization (October 14, 2016)
 - Obama Policy Directive: Explicitly states the U.S. will no longer pursue a regime change in Cuba and instructs U.S. Executive Departments to continue the implementation of Obama-era policy, which subverts the precepts of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act of 1996 (“Libertad Act”).
 - Proposed *new* Policy Directive: The US will fully implement the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act of 1996 (“Libertad Act”) towards the goal of achieving a full-fledged transition to a democratic state that respects human rights, does not support terrorism, human or arms trafficking and does not harbor fugitives.¹
2. Repeal of post-12/17/2014 Obama Policy² and the inappropriately titled People-to-People Cultural Exchange, which according to the FBI, is used by the Regime’s intelligence services to target/recruit Americans in Cuba.³
3. Proposed *modification* to remaining policies:
 - No U.S. person or entity will provide any of the goods or services in the telecommunications industry (i.e. telephone and internet), if such goods or services can be used to assist in the censorship and surveillance of the Cuban people by the Regime.
 - No Known Oppressor or member of Communist Party (under the expanded definition in footnote 1 below to the proposed PPD above) is eligible to receive US remittances, U.S. visas, or U.S. aid and support.

Office of Cuba Broadcasting:

Removal of Maria Gonzalez as Director of Radio y TV Marti; with or without a new appointment.

- OCB Director Maria Gonzalez was appointed by Obama and remains fully committed to and engaged in the implementation of Obama era policies replaced herein. Under her direction, there has been the dismantling of the program as a credible news source reducing news content and no use of new satellite technologies to expand the distribution of the TV Marti signal. New Director must be committed to OCBs Mission Statement.

¹ Three key areas to be covered by the PPD: **(1) Human Rights/Sanctions:** Expand the definition of Communist Party membership modified to include not only card-holding party members, but all individuals on the Cuba Repression ID List or similar list (Known Oppressors) that assist the Party directly or indirectly in repression so that any such individuals are banned from receiving US Visas, US Remittances, or US aid; **(2) Arms Trafficking/Terrorism/Fugitives:** Reinstatement of Cuba on the list of State-Sponsors of Terrorism; Demand the closure of Hezbollah and other terror group’s operations in Cuba; Sanction any further illegal arms trades with North Korea; Return of US fugitives to US custody; **(3) Property Claims:** If the Regime has not complied with the requirements of the Libertad Act, by the time Title III of said Act is to be reviewed again, such Title shall not be suspended and lawsuits may commence. Title IV shall be applied and enforced.

² Federal Registry changes on Cuba, since 2014, that must be repealed: 1. Amendments to Implement Changes Announced by the President on December 17 Related to the Easing of Cuba Sanctions, **80 Fed. Reg. 2291-15** (codified at 31 C.F.R. pt. 515); 2. Amendments to Further Implement President Obama’s 2014 Announcement Related to the Easing of Cuba Sanctions, **80 Fed. Reg. 56915** (codified at 31 C.F.R. pt. 515); 3. Amendments to Further Implement President Obama’s Policy Related to Easing of Sanctions on Cuba, **81 Fed. Reg. 4583** (codified at 31 C.F.R. pt. 515); 4. Amendments to Expand the Ability of Americans to Visit Cuba, Bolster Trade and Commercial Opportunities, and Reduce Barriers to Financial Transactions by Cuban Nationals, **81 Fed. Reg. 13989** (codified at 31 C.F.R. pt. 515); 5. Amendments to Expand Venues for Scientific Collaboration, Facilitate Increased Humanitarian Support, and Bolster Trade and Commercial Opportunities, **81 Fed. Reg. 71372** (codified at 31 C.F.R. pt. 515).

³ FBI, Cuban Intelligence Targeting of Academia, September 2, 2014.