



Permanent Secretary Ambassador Dewano Kedir Receives a Cuban Delegation

Permanent Secretary Ambassador Dewano Kedir received a delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Marcia Cobas Ruiz, Deputy Minister of Public Health of the Republic of Cuba yesterday (February 05).

On the occasion Permanent Secretary Ambassador Dewano appreciated the historical ties of friendship between Ethiopia and Cuba cemented during the liberation struggles of Africa and stressed the need to strengthen bilateral ties in business, trade and most importantly in areas including medicine, health, vaccine and pharmaceuticals.

Permanent Secretary Ambassador Dewano said, "We welcome your interest to collaborate in the area of productions of medicine as well as pharmaceuticals in Ethiopia. Health is the most important area to closely work together, adding, "Cuba has been sending medical doctors to Ethiopia for several years. We would like to encourage more engagements and assistance in this regard."

Permanent Secretary Ambassador Dewano further expressed Ethiopia's interest to explore more channels of cooperation with Cuba in science and technology, trade, and capacity building.

H.E. Mrs. Marcia Cobas Ruiz, Deputy Minister of Public Health of the Republic of Cuba on her part expressed the readiness of Cuba to support Ethiopia in health, medicine, vaccines as well as primary healthcare system. She said, "Thank You for welcoming my delegation. As a matter of fact Cuba is ready to support your healthcare system. We can work closely in the area of productions of medicine, similar projects to exchange experiences and capacity building."

Ethiopia and Cuba established diplomatic relations on October 13, 1970.

Cuba, officially the Republic of Cuba, is a country comprising the island of Cuba as well as Isla de la Juventud and several archipelagos