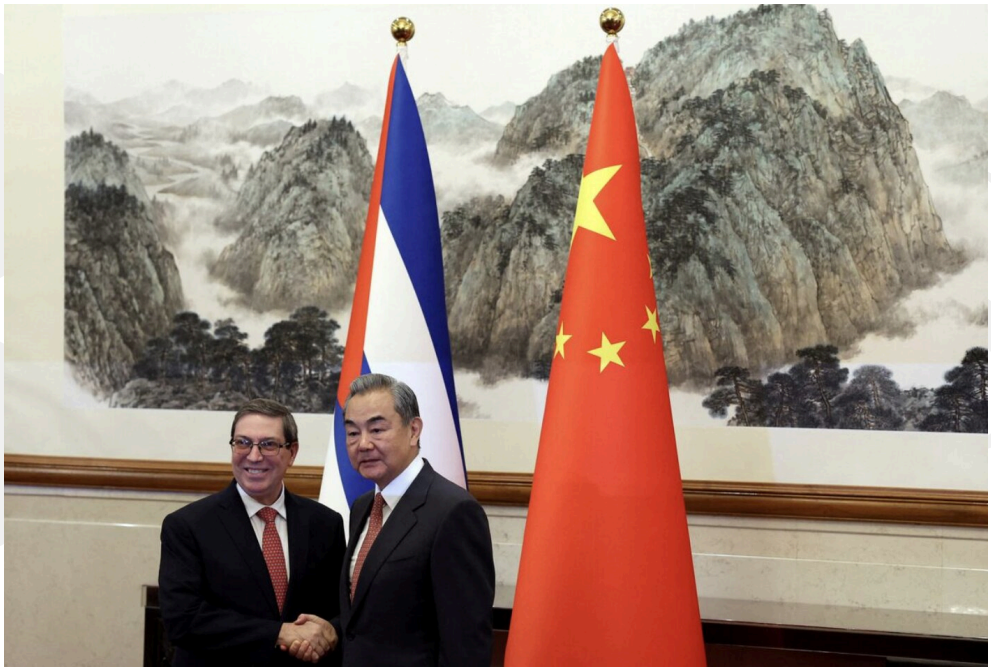
China Pledges 'Firm Support' to Cuba in Opposing Sanctions and US Pressure

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In addition to the Chinese Foreign Minister, Rodríguez met with Wang Huning, the CCP's 'Grey Eminence'

Beijing and Havana aim to strengthen bilateral partnership

China has vowed to increasingly support Cuba as it deals with the unilateral sanctions regime imposed by the US, promising to uphold its "policy of long-term friendship" with the island on Wednesday the 11th. Contextualised by Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla's visit to Beijing from November 10 to 13, both countries have highlighted the desire to strengthen bilateral cooperation.

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi has stated that Beijing is willing to defend and support Havana's sovereignty "no matter how circumstances evolve," laying focus on strengthening strategic ties and cooperation in

multilateral forums. As such, Wang also stated that both countries should work together to "jointly oppose power politics and unilateral actions."

Strategic cooperation under international scrutiny

Beijing and Havana's pledge to strengthen their bilateral relations comes amid strained relations between Cuba and the US. Under an Executive Order signed by US President Donald Trump in May 2026, the US State Department imposed sanctions six days ago on two Chinese state-owned firms for providing surveillance technology and military components to Cuba's Ministry of Armed Forces. Beijing has dismissed this as a failed narrative which aims to threaten bilateral cooperation between China and Cuba, claiming that their relationship serves as an example for solidarity among Global South countries.

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