

ABSTRACT

Leadership turnover occurred after Fidel Castro's Cuba earlier submitted his resignation on Tuesday February 19, 2008 due to illness. And Raul Castro formally replaced his brother Fidel finally became the supreme leader of Cuba. In the election held by the National Assembly of 614 members, Raul became the only candidate who proposed the ruling Communist Party. Cuba's relations with Latin American countries other was decided to form a community that will be a space with all the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean within the framework of regional integration from the fate of nations in Latin America and the Caribbean, got up and bring a sense of brotherhood among nations in the same boat countries in the region. This attracted the attention of authors to investigate is: To what extent are the efforts made by Raul Castro in Cuba in order to make changes and the development of Cuban relations with Latin American countries to strengthen the power of other Latin American?

The purpose of this study is to identify, explore and describe the impact of changes in leadership of Cuba from Fidel to Raul Castro's relation with foreign political developments in Cuba to strengthen relations with countries of other Latin Americans. While the benefits or usefulness of the research is theoretical, this study is expected to be useful to increase the repertoire of development of the science of International Relations, especially those concerning State Policy and Transitional Political Economy of Power. Furthermore, practically, this research is expected to serve as inputs and the comparative material to provide a clear and detailed description of the problem under study and to increase the knowledge of authors, particularly those related to international phenomenon.

The method used in conducting this research is Descriptive Analysis. This method is by collecting as much data about the factors that are against the emergence of government policy direction on Raul Castro in Cuba, then to analyze these factors and to find the role through the Cuban policy toward Latin America or in other words, trying to explain and analyze the problem based on data and information gathered.

The conclusion is that the changes in leadership in Cuba by Fidel Castro to Raul Castro was able to give fresh air to the society in Cuba with the policies issued by Raul Castro as the economic reforms that affect the dynamics of economic systems in Cuba with Cuba by the new policy indicators Raul Castro is giving hope of new changes that previously difficult to realize on Fidel Castro's government.

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