MIAMI FIVE FREEDOM TOUR – JULY 2016



"We owe a big part of our release to the British people who campaigned for our freedom and are looking forward to going there to thank you all in person"

RENÉ GONZÁLEZ

"Through my 16 years in prison I received most mail from Britain. We have very good friends all over the country and we want to go there to meet and thank them all"

GERARDO HERNÁNDEZ



Who are the Miami Five?

The Miami Five are Gerardo Hernández, Ramón Labañino, Antonio Guerrero, Fernando González and René González, five Cubans unjustly imprisoned in US prisons in 1998 for trying to prevent terrorist attacks against their country.

They received harsh sentences after infiltrating Florida based groups responsible for violent actions and bombing campaigns against the island.

On top of this, two of their wives were denied visas to visit them for more than 12 years.

The campaign for their freedom and solidarity with Cuba

British activists were at the forefront of the international campaign for their release and took part in lobbying, speaking tours, vigils and much more.

As part of talks between Cuba and the US, the final members of the Miami Five were freed from US jails in December 2014 and returned home to Cuba and their families.

In Cuba they are considered national heroes, and we are delighted that two of the five, Gerardo Hernández and René González, will be joining us in Britain for a national speaking tour in July 2016 to celebrate their freedom.

The visit comes at a pivotal time in Cuba's history. René and Gerardo will speak about their time in US jails, how international solidarity helped free them, the current situation with US-Cuba relations, and why solidarity with Cuba is just as important as ever while the US blockade remains in place.

Find out more by coming to one of the meetings near you in July.

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