OSCAR ELIAS BISCET: After the Pope's visit

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I did not opposed the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to my country. Still convinced that I would not expect word of solidarity with those who we have spent many years in pursuit of freedom for the Cuban nation.

The dissent in Cuba faces a Stalinist totalitarian system with all the resources at their disposal to stop or destroy any act of rebellion in the search for fundamental human rights of Cubans. T hose who raise their voice against justice are insulted and outraged in their mass media.

The prison system, torture and the firing squad would be required fees for those brave protesters.

Not dwell on the shameful acts of the hierarchy of the Cuban Catholic Church. Calling the political police and forcibly remove a group of people who trusted their charity and sought refuge in his bosom to demand basic freedoms for its citizens.

Neither the lack of mass tributarles not the martyrs Orlando Zapata Tamayo, Juan Wilfredo Soto, Laura Pollan and Wilmar Villar. The Cuban complicity of the churches with the Castro dictatorship are so obvious that only by their silence have cruelly murdered for years the hopes of Cuban people's freedoms.

The words of Benedict XVI during his stay in Cuba were very careful to avoid disagreements with the Castro leadership.

At Mass in Santiago de Cuba, a simple citizen reminded him loudly and was beaten and arrested by the political police. That sign of extreme violence against his Eminence Pope had been made in view of the town before and during your visit.

In the various papal homilies on this visit there were no words of encouragement to these brave peacemakers and persecuted. Were forgotten the beatitudes of Jesus Christ.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they shall be filled. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called sons of God.

Jesus Christ was an extremist philosophy of love. It had to love your enemy and pray for those who hate us. There are people with deviant behavior condemned forever, like those angels who keep life imprisonment until the final judgment. The Gospel reminds us that there should be no fusion between good and evil.
The poor must repent for forgiveness and reconciliation.

In the case of Cuba should be out of power all the facts related to blood, as crimes of inhumanity and genocide, and take measures to guarantee the basic freedoms of all Cubans, without exception. And also the establishment of a provisional government with all democratic forces in the country. Then we can start a process towards democratic transition.

On several occasions I have indicated that the Cuban Catholic Church can and should act as mediator throughout the process of freedom and democracy for the Cuban people. Today I do not deny but kindly suggest that you must first restructure the hierarchy of the church with people who give the example of Christian preaching Serantes Perez, Pedro Meurice and other good Catholic priests who might be called the cardinals of the people.
This will recover confidence in the ancient institution.

Among the mediators do not forget the priests and evangelical Protestants. They could participate as an institution in the formation of a committee of pastors.
This would ensure a fair and balanced balance in negotiating the path to a democratic constitutional state.

God is absolute freedom. It is also power, wisdom, majesty, love and glory. For him, nothing is impossible. For this hope and act on it in promoting our nation of a free society which prevails for the good of all its basic triad: Christianity, commerce and civilization.

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