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On May 14, at noon, the Minister of Communications, Jorge Luis Perdomo Di-Lella, held a new video-conference meeting with the President of the Correos de Cuba Business Group, Carlos Asencio Valerino, to check the progress of the services provided by this organization to itself and third parties in the COVID-19 context.

The President of Correos de Cuba informed the Minister of Communications that postal companies and service units keep working and are strictly following the prevention and control measures implemented by the country's leadership.

He added that Correos de Cuba keeps ensuring postal services for the population during this situation, in which home delivery services are a priority, more specifically, those regarding monthly social security payments for 167 million pesos to almost half a million pensioners; and 25 million pesos in social assistance payments to more than 105 thousand people who receive help from the State.

Asencio Valerino also highlighted that Correos de Cuba is still guaranteeing the payment of national and international money orders as well as the commercialization and home delivery of press subscriptions. Such process features some difficulties in certain locations because of the pandemic's impact on postal services workers, concerning mainly a significant amount of postal agents and mailmen that are over 60 years old and who have had to remain at home since they are part of a vulnerable sector of the population.

He also informed that Correos de Cuba keeps assuring the shipping and delivery of the products bought online from the Cimex and Caribe store chains, as part of that operation, according to him, from April 13 to May 13, Correos de Cuba has delivered more than 13 300 orders to the customers from the stores Carlos III, 5ta y 42, Cuatro Caminos, El Pedregal and Villa Diana, in Havana; as well as in Pinar del Rio and Isla de la Juventud, a process that will be extended to the rest of the provinces progressively.

Lastly, the President of the Correos de Cuba Business Group informed that up to May 13, from among the 10 000 workers of that postal organization there were no coronavirus patients; 9 workers remain hospitalized under monitoring and other 13 are being supervised at their homes by the Primary Health Attention System; while other 98 have already been discharged.

This meeting was also attended by Marisol Fuentes Ferrer, secretary-general of the National Workers Union from the Electronics, Informatics and Communication sectors; and other officials from MINCOM and OSDE.

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