

Square May Day, 2006

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"(...) been much disorganization in terms of construction and we've been inefficient. I feel embarrassed about how long it's taken to construct many works. This sector must make a very serious effort to organize itself, to overcome weaknesses in many areas. We are dealing, no doubt, with some delayed activity; organizations, construction crews and other sectors working on this task should be required to make a more serious effort. Not all problems are easy to solve. One of them has to do with the workforce, it does not suffice. Productivity is low, construction workers and their bosses delude themselves many times. Still, we are hopeful. Construction materials and equipment are being developed; nothing has been neglected in the area of construction. We have sometimes approached our friends in the construction sector and said to them: "If you don't start making progress, we'll have to hire foreign construction companies for some works". That's almost inconceivable; but, again, there were many inconceivable things before. I think we haven't been especially happy in the area of construction in the course of our Revolution and that's been the area where we've faced the most problems (...)"

References to the original: [Address by Commander in Chief Fidel Castro Ruz, President of the Republic of Cuba, for the International Workers' Day ceremony held in Revolution Square May Day, 2006](#)

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