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## ICYMI: Donalds Joins Laura Coates Live

WASHINGTON – Congressman Byron Donalds (R-FL) joined *Laura Coates Live* on CNN to discuss ongoing military involvement in Iran, his opposition to the Communist dictatorship in Cuba, and his unwavering support for the Cuban people.

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**"Donald Trump is taking the security of the Western Hemisphere very seriously, and so it's time for them to go away":**

"I think the President was actually very clear in this statement. Look, understand a couple things. Number one, the Cubans have been a communist regime off the coast of Florida for more than six decades. Number two, we have 1.6 million Cubans in the state of Florida. If the Cuban regime falls, and Laura, let's be clear, it needs to fall. It should have fallen a long time ago, but to be honest, we haven't had presidents of the United States with the resolve to make that happen. Donald Trump is taking the security of the Western Hemisphere very seriously, and so it's time for them to go away. Look, if they want to negotiate and actually come into the community of nations, communities in our hemisphere, and actually be a liberal democracy based upon individual liberty, based upon fundamental freedoms and constitutional rights, that will be a good thing for the people of Cuba and for their relatives here in the United States, mostly in Florida. So, I think the President is right on this. It is time with the fact that their regime is being squeezed by the fact they're not getting their oil from the Venezuelans the way that they were used to. Now is the time to say, 'Look, well, if their economy isn't going to be self-sufficient, we do need to put the squeeze on them.' It's time for that regime to fall."

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