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## INVITATION TO FILM SCREENING EVENING

Vilnius, March 13, 2013

Dear,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the screening of **The Grandchildren of the Cuban Revolution**, followed by a glass of wine that will take place **at the Embassy of the Czech Republic** in Vilnius on **Tuesday**, **March 19, 2013 at 6 p.m**.

Following the documentary movie screenings "Burma VJ. Reporting from a Closed Country" in 2011 and "Kimchongilia" in 2012, this event is yet another joint initiative of the Embassy of the Czech Republic in Lithuania and the Eastern Europe Studies Centre (EESC).

Criticized by most, admired by some, the Cuban regime seems to be still strong enough to hold onto its grip over the Cuban society. But what will follow when the old "icons of revolution" disappear? This year's projection intends to "spread awareness of the struggles of young Cubans on the island, giving them an opportunity to share their hopes, frustrations and concerns", as the director Carlos Montaner describes young people featured in the film and their desire for change.

"Who will lead Cuba in the 21st century? The leaders of the Cuban Revolution have maintained power since 1960; they are aging and have never delegated power to the generations that followed. Today young people are openly showing their discontent and demanding changes in Cuba. The Grandchildren of the Cuban Revolution give the youth a voice to share their feelings. Shot undercover The Grandchildren of the Cuban Revolution give the youth a voice to share their feelings, hope and despair." [imdb.com]

The screening will be followed by discussion with a journalist and political scientist Ms Ieva Giedraitytė, Ph.D., an Economic History candidate at the University of Barcelona. We would also like to use this ocassion to present an exhibition of poems and photographs by Cuban writer, poet and photographer Francis Sánchez.

The film will be in Spanish with English subtitles.

We sincerely hope you will be able to join us.

We thank you very much in advance and look forward to hearing from you.

RSVP by email to Agne Prasciene: <u>agne.prasciene@eesc.lt</u> by Friday, March 15.

Yours sincerely,

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