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In a Nearby Universe: EU Drops Cuba Sanctions

Following an announcement by Cuban leader Fidel Castro that the **three dissidents he executed** were Jews, the EU immediately abandoned the policy of **cultural sanctions** that it had planned against Cuba. (Namely, reducing the number of operas to which Castro is invited when he visits European capitals.)

"Castro's regime may murder people but we can't deny that it is **partly a political organisation** that builds hospitals and performs other good works, so it would be wrong to impose sanctions," said an EU spokesman. "After all, we wouldn't want to give the impression that the EU is run by **slimy**, **hypocritical**, **lying scumbags**."

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