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What You Should Know

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You should know that this week, while New York Governor Andrew Cuomo jetted off with his staff in a private plane to pander to leaders in Santo Domingo and Puerto Rico, the Dominican Hispanic elected officials were not given the same courteous treatment as his staff and had to travel on a commercial plane. The same is true for the Puerto Rican Hispanic elected officials traveling to Puerto Rico from New York to support Governor Andrew Cuomo. No private plane - they all had to fly commercial as Cuomo and his staff traveled like royalty in his private plane.

You should know that despite his many flaws, former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg never relegated any elected officials who accompanied him to travel on commercial airlines while he flew in his private plane. Those who traveled with Bloomberg were treated like family members.

It is disgraceful that Governor Andrew Cuomo did not welcome New York Hispanic elected officials to join him and travel with him in his private plane as they went out of their way to demonstrate support for his campaign.

Ladies and gentlemen, if this is how Governor Andrew Cuomo treats members of his political family, what more can the rest of us expect from him?

This is Senator Rubén Díaz, and this is what you should know.