



Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

# Communiqué

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela categorically rejects the Country Reports on Human Rights Practices 2017, issued by the United States Department of State, as well as the practice that intends to qualify other countries and use the human rights issue for political purposes, in order to make progresses in their imperial interests.

The U.S. supremacist and xenophobic regime lacks of any moral or legal authority for acting as a judge in defense of the peoples' human rights, since its own international and national practices show it as one of the main violators of human rights in the history. The government of the United States promotes genocidal wars and supports ruthless conflicts for economic and geopolitical interests, in which civilian populations suffered the full violation of all their human rights.

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, once more, denounces before the international community, the manipulation of the United States regime of the human rights issue, for the sole purpose of promoting campaigns of aggression and national authorities de-legitimization, thus justifying its "change-of-government-oriented" policies.

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela reaffirms, before the world, its unwavering commitment to the promotion, protection, respect and comprehensive defense of the human rights.

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