



Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Communiqué

The President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, on behalf of the Venezuelan people and Government, expresses its warm and fraternal congratulations to the people and Government of Barbados on the occasion of the 51th anniversary of its independence, gained on November 30th, 1966.

Joined by the emancipatory feeling initiated by the Bussa Rebellion to conquer freedom and abolish slavery, we celebrate together with the brotherly people of Barbados on this special festivity.

Furthermore, congratulating once more our sisterly nation, we express our hope and commitment to continue strengthening our relations, based on the principles of union, equality, dignity, complementarity and solidarity.

We call to continue realizing the ideals of cultural diversity and regional integration of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), of which both countries are founding members, in favor of a sovereign, democratic and at the same time respectful of the sovereignty of the Peoples' regional integration.

Long live the union of our peoples!

Long live Barbados!

Caracas, November 30th, 2017