



Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Communiqué

The President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicolas Maduro Moros, on behalf of the Venezuelan Government and People expresses his sincerest rejoice and warmest congratulations to Vladimir Putin for his inauguration as President of the Russian Federation, after his resounding triumph this last March 18th.

His exemplary reelection demonstrates the extraordinary support of the Russian people for the outstanding job that President Vladimir Putin has been doing, in his capacity as leader concerned about the well-being of his People and as world statesman.

The world has witnessed the economic, social, cultural, communicational and sports revival of Russia, as well as its progress in the fields of national defense, education, science and technology.

The Peoples which are respectful of the international law highly value the vigorous leadership role played by Russia, under Vladimir Putin's presidency, in favor of the construction of a world with harmony, peace and respect among nations.

President Nicolas Maduro avails himself of this opportunity to ratify his firm commitment to the consolidation of a comprehensive strategic alliance between Russia and Venezuela, based on a dynamic of shared development to our mutual benefit.

In this new period, the Bolivarian Government wishes to strengthen the bonds of friendship between our nations, by deepening the relationship and comprehensive cooperation instruments created during the last years.

Venezuela expresses its firm belief in the strengthening of this historic alliance – initiated by the Supreme Commander Hugo Chavez Frias and the Russian President – which shall translate into new achievements in favor of the well-being and supreme happiness of both Peoples and which shall continue to bear fruits within the context of a shared goal of consolidating a multi-polar world.

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