



Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

# Communiqué

The Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela denounces before the peoples of the world the new threats against the sovereignty, peace and stability of our country issued by the United States president, Donald Trump, in a dinner offered to the highest State authorities of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia and Panama where they were urged to increase the campaign of aggressions against Venezuela. We are fully aware that the brotherly peoples of such countries will reject such actions and will demand their rulers to act with dignity in the defence of the sovereignty of Our America for we are certain of their solidarity.

President Trump is fatally obsessed with Venezuela as a result of his white supremacist ideas. But Venezuela counts on the peoples of the world and we are ready to keep on defeating politically and diplomatically or otherwise the U.S. Government's ill-fated aggressions.

It is shameful and detestable that President Santos, seeking to evade a sanction from the U.S. Government on the disproportionate increase of cocaine production in Colombia, resorts to a tactic that intends to portray Venezuela as a destabilisation factor in the region and dares to call a transition Government in Venezuela when Venezuela has endured for years the consequences of the Colombian civil war and at all times, and despite such consequences, Venezuela has endeavoured to guarantee peace in Colombia.

Those unworthy representatives of their peoples go to the main international consensus space in New York not to address the significant problems faced by the region, i.e., the suffering of migrants, the need to pay the social debt and promote sustainable development, fight drugs beginning with the main consumption market, or address the consequences of the climate change, recently expressed in the tragedy of the hurricanes that have devastated the Caribbean region. On the contrary, they go there to submit themselves and to subordinate to the guidelines dictated by President Trump against Venezuela.

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela shall keep on defending its independence and resisting firmly the attacks by a racist administration in the United States, which seeks to submit the whole region. Venezuela is a nation that takes pride of its history, which has been forged by women and men who have sacrificed their lives for the liberty we enjoy today. No supremacist president will ever defeat our people.

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