

## **Venezuela denounces new interventionist intentions by the European Union**

Foreign Minister of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Jorge Arreaza denounced this Friday at *Casa Amarilla Antonio Jose de Sucre*: “Friends of Venezuela in Europe has informed us that the European Union (EU) is considering supposed sanctions against Venezuela, its economy, officers and government, following in the steps of the president of the United States of America, Donald Trump.”

The EU is using reports that appear to be made by the Venezuelan right wing –and corrected by the U.S. government– to qualify the elections to be held on the next Sunday October 15th, as fraudulent, Venezuelan People’s Power Minister for Foreign Relations said.

The head of Venezuelan diplomacy stated to members of the foreign mission of international accompanying programme for the 15-Oct elections and the Latin America Elections Experts Council (*Ceela*, in Spanish) members: “The EU is using a blatantly politically biased report for taking a position regarding Venezuela.”

In this regard, Foreign Minister denounced that some governments of the world, “which lack of morale on electoral matters and have questionable electoral systems” intend to disown the results to be produce by Venezuelan elections.

He also stressed that such actions, which the European Union intends to make after the 15-Oct elections, are part of the ongoing war against Venezuela.

In addition, he highlighted the democratic character of the President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicolas

Maduro Moros, who called an election to convene the National Constituent Assembly in which participated over 8 millions voters who said “no to violence, yes to peace.”

Foreign Minister also explained that polling centres attacked during the National Constituent Assembly elections, on July 30th, were relocated in order to ensure the security of voters and such centres only represent 1.5 percent of the total of polling centres.

### **Witnesses of the electoral system transparency**

Minister Jorge Arreaza told to members of the international accompanying programme for the 15-Oct elections and the Latin America Elections Experts Council (*Ceela*, in Spanish) members that they are to witness the Venezuelan electoral system transparency.

“You will have access to audits and will see how transparent the Venezuelan voting system is. Also, you will be part of the audits. Hence, you will be spokespersons of what happens here and have the honour to witness democracy prevailing” Minister Arreaza said.

Finally, Foreign Minister invited the international commission to participate in the forthcoming elections to be held in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. **/YD.**