

## Communiqué

The People and Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela express their most vigorous rejection against the terrorist attacks on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Northern part of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, attributed to *Boko Haram* terrorist group, which caused eighteen deaths, including women and children.

Venezuela expresses its condolences to the Federal Republic of Nigeria and to relatives of the victims who perished in these deplorable attacks as well as its solidarity with the brotherly Nigerian people in this moment of grief.

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela reaffirms its unwavering solidarity with its African brothers, respecting their sovereignty, and strongly rejects the violent actions which plunged hundreds of innocents in Africa into mourning. We hope that the international community's efforts focus on the search of peaceful solutions based on mutual respect, conciliation and solidarity for achieving peace and social justice.

Caracas, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017