

## Communiqué

The People's Power Ministry for Foreign Relations of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, on behalf of the National Government, wishes to express its solidarity with the Austrian people and Government, as well as with the family and relatives of the victims of the Baumgarten gas pipeline explosion occurred today in Weiden an der Marche, in the East of Vienna, which left eighteen (18) persons injured and one dead.

Besides its sympathy, the People's Power Ministry for Foreign Relations of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela likewise expresses its hopes for the prompt and full recovery of the injured and the full restoration of this important gas pipeline.

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