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Venezuela calls to work for peace to avert risk of world conflict

Given the extremism that has taken over the leaders of Europe and the United States, that could generate a large-scale war conflict based on the situation between Russia and Ukraine, the President of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, calls for mobilization to face any scenario that threatens world peace.

"A public media campaign of hate seems to be incubating and a set of economic measures that seek to aggravate conditions, and extend the scenario and territory of the war beyond Ukraine to Europe, and beyond Europe to other regions of the planet" warned the President, after meeting this week with the political and military high command at Miraflores Palace, Caracas.

The elements of analysis of the conflict "make us reaffirm our serious concern" that a Third World War could originate. "Hopefully, with a timely alert, the madness that has taken hold of the most important leaders in the Western world could be controlled," he stated.

Faced with this scenario, which has already had a global impact on oil and gas prices, "Venezuela's political and military high command has decided

that we should ring the warning bell for the peoples and leaders of the world to seek peace, to seek conditions that allow solid agreements between the Russian Federation and Ukraine, that the factors involved around Ukraine incite it to seek peace and abandon the positions it has had in the past."

Actions for stability

President Maduro stated that in the face of threats to peace, which could affect our country, the Bolivarian Government took action to protect the population, which has demonstrated its awareness of this geopolitical scenario.

These measures seek to "protect the distribution and supply of food," as well as "progress on the salary plan (...) and the internal guarantee of the fuels that the country needs," the President added. In the international sphere, Venezuela will insist on a peaceful path for a prompt resolution of the conflict, so it will be activated in all world forums, communication will be maintained with all foreign ministers at the global level and the need for peace and dialogue will be stressed.

"It is the time of diplomacy, it is the time of words, it

Dialogue Renewal

The Head of State also announced, a renewal and revitalization of the national dialogue process with all political, social, economic, religious and cultural factors. It will be "more inclusive, more encompassing, broader," to reaching out "to all Venezuelans who want to move our country forward."

"The dialogue in Mexico received a tremendous blow, but if we are asking for dialogue in the world, we have to set the example in our country," said President Maduro, who added that this process must generate political guarantees for the processes scheduled in the years to come.

is the time of truth and it is the time to rebuild peace and not allow a situation to escalate and get out of hand and generate a great war where everyone loses, a great war that affects the development of the planet itself and the life of Humanity."

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U.S. and Venezuela agree to work on issues of common interest

Representatives of the United States and Venezuelan Governments agreed to work on an agenda with issues of common interest, after a meeting held on March 5th at the Miraflores Palace, headquarters of the Venezuelan Executive Power, in Caracas. At the meeting, the participants discussed, face to face, issues of great interest to our country and the world.

"I ratify, as I told the delegation, all our will, from diplomacy, from respect and from the highest hope for a better world, we can move forward on an agenda that allows the wellness and peace of the peoples of our hemisphere, of our region, of the whole of America, of Latin America and the Caribbean," said the President of the Republic, Nicolás Maduro.

In declarations offered after a meeting with the high political and military command and sectorial vice presidents, he explained that the delegation was welcomed in the same way as other international delegations have been welcomed, including representations of the U.S. Government itself and the U.S. Congress that have come previously. "Now, a new opportunity has been given and a delegation has arrived."

The meeting with the U.S. representatives took

place over two hours, in a "respectful, cordial and very diplomatic" manner. The Head of State was joined by the first combatant, Cilia Flores, and the President of the National Assembly, Jorge Rodríguez.

President Maduro indicated, also, that conversations, coordination and "a positive agenda between the Government of the U.S. and the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela" will continue.

Adherence to the truth

The Venezuelan Head of State explained that since Saturday "news hysteria was unleashed on social networks," with alleged versions of what was discussed at the meeting between U.S. and Venezuelan delegations.

However, "all the versions that have come out (are) pure lies, pure speculation without need," said the President, who reiterated the position of the Bolivarian Government to speak the truth to Venezuela and the world.

"We adhere to the truth, we to good will, good diplomacy and the good sense of reality of moving towards peace in our region and in the world," he emphasized.

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CAPSULES OF IDEAS

"The devaluation of the world of men is in direct proportion to the increasing value of the world of things."

Karl Marx. Economic and Philosophical Manuscripts of 1844

NEWS BRIEF



Tribute to Commander Chávez in Bolivia

In La Paz, Bolivia, the "Hugo Chávez Frías" Anti-Imperialist Training School, which shall operate at the Venezuelan embassy in the South American country, was inaugurated on March 5. That same day, which paid tribute to the socialist leader on the 9th anniversary of his passing to eternity, was also unveiled a bust of Chávez, which had been devastated during the fact government of Jeanine Áñez.

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Venezuela strengthens ties with Caricom

The Vice Minister for the Caribbean, Raúl Li Causi, met with the Prime Minister of Belize, John Briceño, who holds the Pro Témpore Presidency of the Caribbean Community (Caricom). At the 33th Intersessional Meeting of Heads of State and Government of the bloc, the Vice Minister also held meetings with the Prime Ministers of Suriname, Chan Santokhi; Dominica, Roosevelt Skerrit, and Grenada, Keith Mitchell, among other high-level representatives.

Oil market monitoring

The OPEC+ Joint Ministerial Monitoring Committee warns that the volatility of the oil market does not respond to circumstances in the sector, but to geopolitical situations. Following the 38th meeting of the instance and the 26th OPEC and Non-OPEC Ministerial Meeting, the monthly production adjustment mechanism was reconfirmed

For the development of Latin America and the Caribbean

In the 5th Meeting of the Forum of the Latin American and Caribbean countries, organized by CEPAL, the Venezuelan delegation urged the adoption of resilient public policies to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, based on solidarity and international cooperation, especially in view of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. It also called for the lifting of the misnamed so-called sanctions.

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Venezuela rejects extension of order that initiated criminal blockade

Seven years have passed since Barack Obama signed executive order 13962 on March 9, 2015, which declared Venezuela an "unusual and extraordinary threat" to the security of the United States (U.S.). Without any evidence to support such a statement, the White House opened a new era of aggression after the failure of plans against President Nicolás Maduro.

Today, Venezuelans face 502 Unilateral Coercive Measures (UCM), the sequestration of assets, such as the Monómeros and Citgo companies; the retention of 31 tons of gold in the United Kingdom and the blockade of more than 30 billion dollars.

Although the damage to the population has been recognized by the UN Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of UCMs on the enjoyment of Human Rights, Alena Douhan, the U.S. ignores the warnings. Along these lines, President Joe Biden extended the executive order for one more year on March 3, a position categorically rejected by Caracas.

That order only serves to impose a blockade that is "criminal, inhuman and violating the legal order and the principles that regulate international relations between sovereign, free and independent States," warns a statement by the Bolivarian Government.

In the text, the spirit of resistance of Venezuelans is reaffirmed, their conviction in defending sovereignty with peaceful and diplomatic methods, as well as the willingness to restore and regularize diplomatic relations with the United States through dialogue and "mutual recognition as sovereign States and legitimate governments."

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela "ratifies the name of its brave people, which with the historical tradition as the cradle of the freedom of America fly the flags of peace, solidarity and cooperation."

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Unity of the working class for productive transformation

During the next eight months, the Venezuelan working class will debate an action agenda to build productive socialism, contribute to the economic rebirth and perfect the organization of the productive forces, central axes of the II Congress of the Working Class.

The meeting, which pays tribute to the labor leader José "Chino" Khan, will generate proposals that the Council of Ministers will receive, to continue building "the real economy, the one that produces goods and services for the people," said the President of the Republic, Nicolás Maduro, at the installation of the congress, in Caracas.

One of the main tasks of the congress is to design a triennial plan to strengthen the workers' leadership, in line with the new stage of transition to socialism that opened for the year 2030.

The congress will also discuss ways for economic transformation, the revision of the capitalist model, wage protection, the global challenge of workers, the integral defense of the Homeland, technical and ideological training, the promotion of a communication policy

Recovery of salary value

Starting this March, the minimum wage in Venezuela will be half a Petro, a cryptocurrency supported by the country's mineral resources. A plan for retirees from the last five years and a stabilization fund will also be activated, among other measures to "go for a necessary, strong and sustainable salary recovery," President Maduro said.

and the forms of organization of the working class, such as the Productive Councils of Workers.

In this sense, President Maduro called for strengthening the union between workers and the communes and celebrated the contributions of the working class to confront the blockade, which reduced the nation's income by 99%. "Here it is shown that only the people save the people, and you have to listen very well to the people."

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Equity and socialism with a feminist stamp

Workers, students, popular spokespersons and social fighters flooded the streets of Caracas this March 8, International Women's Day, to reaffirm their commitment to the fight for

gender equality and the construction of socialism. "My infinite love for you!" expressed President Nicolás Maduro.

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V Congress of the PSUV for ethical renewal and the construction of socialism

With 7 million members, the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV) is one of the largest political organizations in Latin America. With strong leadership in spaces of national life, this March 5th it installed its V Congress, to reaffirm the role of its bases in the defence of the homeland and participatory democracy.

The first major issue to be discussed is the renewal of revolutionary ethics, to combat the corruption of the capitalist system. "This congress must be to define the paths towards a rebirth of ethics, morality, of commitment, honesty and humility of the revolutionaries," said the party's president, Nicolás Maduro.

When installing the congress, in Caracas, where the IV PSUV Youth Congress also began, he indicated that the organization founded by Comandante Hugo Chávez must be "a permanent movement towards the new, towards the best, towards the great, of renewal of force," which contributes to the construction of socialism.

Likewise, it must promote the methodology of Resistance, Rebirth and Revolution of the New Era of the Transition to Socialism, the strategy of political 1x10, to mobilize the militancy and the organization of the Bolívar-Chávez Battle Units, grassroots organs of the PSUV.

"It must be a Congress with open doors (...) to listen and bring the truth to the people, and to define the guidelines of the resistance, of the rebirth and the changes that Venezuela needs," he asserted.

The plenary sessions of the congress, which ended on March 8th, were attended by 2,432 sectoral delegates, as well as guests from 25 countries, such as the leaders Rafael Correa and Evo Morales.

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UNCOVERING FAKE NEWS

Digital blockade, the new imperial media censorship

a lot of money to sell the idea that they are the streaming platform "is pausing the ability to a defenders of freedom of expression, when the unmber of channels to monetize." reality is totally opposite to that. After the recent Russian military operation in Ukraine, in order to denazify that country, the big media corporations have launched a censorship campaign against the Russian media RT and the Sputnik agency, which offer another perspective of the conflict in Eastern Europe. The attack includes the withdrawal of the signal from the cable operators, as well as the elimination of their applications in the Play App store and the censorship of YouTube for Europe, both

Earlier, YouTube began labeling various Moscow media outlets, including RT, as "allies of the Russian government" and suspended monetization for these media companies, claiming

platforms managed by Google.

The United States and its allies in Europe invest that due to "extraordinary circumstances" the

Similarly, Apple decided to remove the RT application from its store for all countries except Russia, while Meta (Facebook and Instagram parent company) blocked the RT and Sputnik channels on their platforms.

This censorship adds to the deliberate misinformation by the mainstream media about the siege, persecution and murder of Russian-speaking citizens by neo-Nazi forces in favor of the Kiev government in the Donbass region, an attack that has left more than 13,000 dead in eight years.

Although this policy of persecution is not new, since it has been imposed on countries like Venezuela, it seems to open a more virulent phase against the right to information.

HEROIC ROOTS



The emancipation of Venezuela has a woman's face

In combat actions or in defence of the right to freedom: the legacy of Venezuelan women in the fight for Independence is incalculable. For a long time invisible, today the heroines who served the Homeland contributing to important victories are recognized.

One of them is Josefa Camejo. In 1811, she formed a group of armed women in favour of the patriots in the Venezuelan plains. Later, she fought alongside General Rafael Urdaneta and in 1821 she revolted the Province of Coro in favour of Independence.

Like Camejo, Juana Ramírez, the daughter of a slave, stood up to the Spanish yoke. Thanks to her organizational capacity, she joined the Women's Battery, formed by General Manuel Piar. In the battle of Alto de los Godos, which occurred in the eastern region in 1813, Ramírez took a sword, advanced against the royalists and made Domingo Monteverde flee. Thus, she was baptized as "The Advancer".

This brave libertarian spirit has its roots in indigenous people such as Apacuana, an aboriginal counselor from the Valles del Tuy, in the north-central part of the country. In the 16th century, she faced the Crown and her cunning was key to planning actions against the Spanish. The symbolic remains of these fighters rest in the National Pantheon, where other heroines such as Luisa Cáceres de Arismendi are. It is expected that other leaders will also enter, such as Josefa Joaquina Sánchez, Ana Soto, Eulalia Buroz and Petronila Mata, a sample of the legion of women who fought for the freedom of Venezuela.

They are "leaders who consecrated their lives to the defence of the dignity and freedom of the Homeland (...) Honor forever!" President Nicolás Maduro has said.

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