

ALBA TCP



Declaration of the 11th Extraordinary Summit of Heads of State and Government of ALBA-TCP

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We, the Heads of State and Government of the member countries of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America – People’s Trade Treaty (ALBA-TCP), committed to the founding principles and values of solidarity, social justice and cooperation, and in adherence to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the international law, meeting on August 26, 2024:

Being the sister Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela a founding member country of the ALBA-TCP, a unionist project, envisioned by the Liberator Simón Bolívar and the heroes of the independence deeds of Latin America and the Caribbean and realized by Commanders Hugo Rafael Chávez Frías and Fidel Castro Ruz; the member countries of this great Alliance acknowledge that this kind Our American nation is a sovereign and independent country, with high democratic standards, which, in compliance with its sacred Constitution, organized presidential elections, in accordance with the corresponding regulatory times.

Throughout the years of growth of this great unionist and integrationist project, we have witnessed the work and leadership of the President Nicolás Maduro Moros at the helm of this sister nation in the face of the fiercest onslaught of transnational powers, in the worst political, geopolitical, social and economic conditions in the current world, in which some of our sister countries have been direct victims of imperialism, as well as witnesses to an unparalleled onslaught against the Venezuelan nation, through over 930 unilateral, extortive and illegal coercive measures aim at strangling the Venezuelan economy and society.

Therefore, we hereby:

1. Strongly condemn any coup d'état or attempted coup d'état, as they constitute the violent, illegal and unconstitutional way that threatens democracy, peace and life itself, as well as the destabilizing plans and actions promoted by foreign factors, which attempt to disregard the will of the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean, expressed democratically and legitimately at the ballot box.
2. Strongly repudiate the brutal communicational warfare, full of hatred, intolerance, discrimination and contempt through social networks, strategically aimed at the younger generations of Venezuelan society, victims of disinformation and hyper-information to promote violence, vandalism and barbarism.
3. Reject the attacks and acts of vandalism against people, public infrastructure, religious and national symbols representing the Venezuelan idiosyncrasy, which caused human and material losses in order to create an opinion matrix of chaos in a country where a historic election day was held in peace and democracy.
4. Denounce the disregard of the official results of the electoral process by a violent and fascist sector of the Venezuelan opposition that has openly requested interventionism and more sanctions for the country at the expense of the Venezuelan people and which had already shown signs of its coup intentions by not signing the agreement for the respect of the electoral results promoted by the Venezuelan governing body, the National Electoral Council.
5. Demand the international community to respect the sovereignty, self-determination and democratic will of the Venezuelan people. We regret the decision of some governments to question the electoral results in Venezuela and to promote discourses that do not reflect the reality of the country. It is essential that all States recognize the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs and work together to foster dialogue and constructive cooperation rather than fuel divisions.
6. Recognize that Venezuela is a free, independent, democratic and sovereign State that has its own institutions and laws to address its internal affairs. In this regard, we welcome the decision of the Electoral Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice (TSJ) to settle this electoral controversy, in a worthy example of full exercise of sovereignty and, thus, guaranteeing peace and tranquility to the Venezuelan people.

7. Salute all the participants in the electoral contest who appeared before the Supreme Court of Justice to contribute to the peace and stability of the Venezuelan people, which is a sign of political maturity and active democracy in this sister nation, while we regret that some political actors, who denounced alleged irregularities, did not appear before the Supreme Court of Justice, failing to fulfill their commitment to the people as presidential candidates.
8. Congratulate the Constitutional President Nicolás Maduro Moros and his people who, with resilience and adherence to justice, have been able to defeat the attempted coup d'état and we reaffirm our commitment and unrestricted support to the constitutional, legitimate and democratically elected government.
9. Reaffirm, once again, that Latin America and the Caribbean is a Zone of Peace. We demand the strict compliance with the obligation not to intervene, directly or indirectly, in the internal affairs of any other State and to fully respect the inalienable right of every State to choose its political, economic, social and cultural system as an essential requirement to guarantee peaceful coexistence among nations, peace and stability in our region.

We gather to defend, today more than ever, the brother Venezuelan people from the tentacles of fascism and raise our voices to reject the interference, manipulation and imperialist, colonialist and coup intentions to seize our legitimate rights and resources, and which have caused so much harm to our peoples.

Defending Venezuela is to defend the dream of union and brotherhood of our heroes and peoples.

Caracas, August 26, 2024