

The U.S. and the democracy fairytale in Venezuela

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Last May 20, amid a mass rally summoned to celebrate the first anniversary of the presidential election held in 2018, Venezuela's president Nicolás Maduro urged to hold early elections to the National Assembly, in contempt since 2016, and whose actions are null and void.

"Let's see who wins the elections. Let's have elections! Let's authenticate the only non-legalized institution in the last five years. Let's have early elections in the National Assembly to see who gets the people's support, to see who earns more votes, to see who wins," said Maduro.

The Venezuelan president asked himself: Why do I get no answer every time I have made such proposal?

However, the response of the opposition led by the U.S. puppet, Juan Guaidó, did not take long. According to the also speaker of the National Assembly in contempt: "It is very cynical to suggest (he) is willing to go through elections especially after he stole the elections in 2018; dissociation, madness."

Such statement made crystal-clear that Guaidó does not want to go to elections. Neither elections nor dialogue are among the priorities that the puppet's masters

have in mind up there in Washington. The refusal confirms, indeed, the stance taken by the opposition in the "stolen" elections held in 2018. There, anti-Chavez's followers chose not to stand in the elections in order to use this absence as the perfect excuse for the "self-proclamation" show they staged afterwards.

On the other hand, Guaidó's response coincided in time with the "positive" meeting that his "ambassador" in the United States, Carlos Vecchio, held with senior officials of the American government like Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Latin America Sergio de la Peña, and the U.S. State Department Envoy for Venezuela, Elliott Abrams.

The meeting, held at the U.S. State Department headquarter, was prompted by the letter Vecchio sent on May 11 to Admiral Craig Faller, commanding general of the U.S. Southern Command, to request a meeting on military cooperation meant to "relieve" the suffering of the people in Venezuela and "restore" democracy.

Although it is a secret what the options on the table were in the talks with Vecchio, the answer of the United States to the electoral proposal made by Maduro seems to be the announcement of new sanctions against Venezuela. This time, the target is the governmental food program named CLAP. Another further pressure aiming at subduing Venezuelan people by starvation, something that has nothing to do with "democracy" or "freedom."

We just need to know the reaction of some nations that, under U.S. pressure, have accepted the puppet as the "acting president," some of them have stood up for holding elections as unique solution to the conflict.

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