
Russia Supports Venezuela Sovereignty, Opposes Foreign Intervention

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Unlike other foreign nations, Russia has thrown their support behind Venezuela's government.

Russia's Foreign Ministry appealed Friday to the international community not to intervene in the internal affairs of Venezuela and called for increased dialogue amid [ongoing attempts](#) to remove the country from the Organization of American states, and [cries of a coup](#) for the actions of the country's Supreme Court.

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Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman, Maria Zakharova, said that it is important that political dialogue is comprehensive and structured, arguing "It is very important that logic prevails over confrontation. External forces should not add fuel to fire in the internal situation in Venezuela."

"We are convinced of the principle of non-interference internal affairs," she added, while urging that "any decision of the the organs of power, political and social forces, is based on the constitution of the country."

Zaharova also noted that it was important to maintain a positive dialogue with the "international political authority and regional blocs like UNASUR.

"The Organization of American States, OAS, is also pressing to [revoke Venezuela's membership](#) in the organization for alleged "human rights abuses," claims which Venezuela says amount to an imperialist attack against the nation.

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Venezuela's Supreme Court has found the National Assembly to be in contempt of the constitution since January 2016 for swearing-in three legislators whose elections were overturned for vote buying.

The legislators have refused to be removed from their positions and therefore the National Assembly cannot legally approve legislation as they are not adhering to the law. The Supreme Court stepped in as part of the country's constitution to resolve the issues between state powers and to exercise parliamentary powers when needed.

The Venezuelan opposition and foreign governments have falsely labeled the situation as a coup and a sign of government dictatorship, although the ruling from the top court has not changed.
