
Venezuela, Many Nations, Reject US-Led Interventionism at UNSC Session

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On Saturday the United Nations (U.N.) Security Council was summoned by the United States to meet Saturday to discuss the internal situation of the Bolivarian Republic of [Venezuela](#). Venezuelan Foreign Affairs Minister Jorge Arreaza delivered a speech defending Venezuela against the U.S. interventionism and was backed by several countries from across the world.

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China, Equatorial Guinea, South Africa, Russia, Nicaragua, Cuba, Bolivia, Saint Vincent, the Grenadines, Barbados, and Suriname, were among the countries that expressed their recognition of the legitimate and constitutional Venezuelan government, led by President [Nicolas Maduro](#).

"The United States is the one that should be evaluated (and not Venezuela) for its permanent disrespect and interference in external political affairs," Foreign Minister Arreaza said in his statement before the Security Council.

"How is it possible that the president of the United States, Donald Trump, who militarily threatened Venezuela, has not been questioned by the world?"

Arreaza also talked about the situation of the illegally and unconstitutionally self-proclaimed "interim president" Juan Guaido, asking, "how can it be possible for a lawmaker to proclaim himself president and for international governments to recognize him?" Stating and warning that in Venezuela "force is being imposed on the law. That is dangerous and we must stop it here from the United Nations."

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Russia, for its part, a delegation led by ambassador Vasili Nebenzia, condemned the United States policy of favoring regime changes in other countries. "The regime change is the favorite political game of the [United States](#)," Nebenzia state. According to the diplomat, "We (Russia) support the rules of international law and we oppose foreign intervention."

Jerry Matjila, permanent ambassador of South Africa at the United Nations, called for dialogue in Venezuela. "South Africa is against any attempt of unconstitutional change of the government of Venezuela," the diplomat said at the meeting.

The ambassador for Nicaragua stated that the actions led by the U.S. and backed by other countries "do not help a political and peaceful solution that only belongs to the Venezuelan people. Venezuela is the one who must exercise its rights and autonomy within its internal jurisdiction."

The Cuban representation in the Security Council stated that the Caribbean nation "reiterate(s) our absolute respect for the Bolivarian and Chavez revolution, for the union of the Venezuelan people and for their legitimate and democratic government."

Those several statements of support came as a response to incoherent and inconsistent attacks on Venezuela's President Maduro by the United States and its right-wing allies as well as several European Countries.

During his speech, the British envoy claimed that President Maduro won the May 2018 elections by "stuffing ballot boxes," an allegation that the Russian envoy rebuffed by reminding his counterpart that in Venezuela such a fraudulent practice would not be possible because Venezuela has a highly-reliable electronic voting system that does not involve ballot boxes.