

ALBA-TCP REJECTS STATEMENTS BY THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ON VENEZUELA

The Member States of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America – People's Trade Treaty (ALBA-TCP) strongly reject the statements made by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, within the framework of the oral update on the human rights situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

This unfortunate speech, together with the statement of the so-called Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on Venezuela, contains arbitrary and interfering assertions evidencing the disrespect of certain officials of the United Nations System towards the sovereignty and independence of countries such as Venezuela, which is currently proving the strength of its democratic values, ahead of its next presidential elections.

In this sense, ALBA-TCP denounces to the international community the biased behavior of the Office of the High Commissioner, as well as the use of the Human Rights Council as a political instrument to attack nations that have counter-hegemonic positions and defend their commitment to the construction of a multicenter, pluripolar world of justice, equality and peace.

Likewise, ALBA-TCP strongly urges the United Nations Human Rights Council to impartially investigate the Venezuelan reality and to denounce the negative impact of the almost one thousand unilateral coercive measures imposed by the Government of the United States and other countries, which violate international law and constitute a crime against humanity against the Venezuelan people.

The ALBA-TCP countries express their solidarity with the People and Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, which stands firm in the struggle for its right to self-determination and sovereignty, in accordance with the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.

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