

ALBA-TCP APPLAUDS THE RELEASE OF THE LITTLE GIRL MAIKELYS ESPINOZA

The Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (ALBA-TCP) applauds with great satisfaction the return to Venezuela of the little girl Maikelys Espinoza, after having been illegally separated for months from her family by U.S. immigration authorities and having been prevented from accompanying her mother on the repatriation flight to Venezuela three weeks ago.

The unjustified action, which violated the fundamental rights of the child, was based on a series of falsehoods and slander against Maikelys' parents, contravening the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, international agreements on the protection of children and adolescents and due process.

The Bolivarian Alliance applauds and congratulates the Venezuelan government and President Nicolás Maduro for all the efforts made to reunite the little girl with her family and accompanies the Venezuelan people in their demand for the release of the 253 young Venezuelans kidnapped by the United States in a maximum security prison in El Salvador, under false accusations, without having committed any crime in that country, without judicial process or the right to defense, among whom is Maiker Espinoza, Maikelys' father. ALBA-TCP demands respect for all human beings "without distinction of race, color, sex, language, religion, political or any other opinion, national or social origin, economic position, birth or any other condition" and urges the international community to repudiate and denounce the disproportionate and inhuman abuses of the U.S. government against migrant populations.

Caracas, May 15, 2025