

## Resolution on Venezuela

The Centrist Democratic International hereby affirms its commitment to the civic struggle of the Venezuelan people, victims of a tragedy that cannot be overcome through failed negotiations or by validating fraudulent electoral processes set up at will by the criminal regime that is seizing public powers in the country.

Here at the Centrist Democrat International, we condemn the massive, systematic and continuous violation of the human rights of Venezuelan citizens and the crimes against humanity perpetrated by the members of the chain of command headed by the dictator Nicolás Maduro.

For our organisation, it is more than blatant that national sovereignty is lacking in Venezuela, by virtue of the consensual invasion ongoing throughout the territory, via the prolonged occupation by foreign forces and agents, especially groups of Cuban origin, as well as Iranians, in addition to the troops deployed by the FARC, the Colombian National Liberation Army (ELN) and Hezbollah terrorist groups.

Once again, we condemn the criminal nature of transnational scope of the drug trade, with the peculiar and unprecedented convergence of drug trafficking with the financial mafias for the laundering of hundreds of billions of dollars stolen from the Venezuelan nation.

In light of the issues set out above, the IDC-CDI agrees as follows:

1. To support the filing of the last report certified by the UN Special Commission on Human Rights before the International Criminal Court, without prejudice to appeal before the International Court, which is empowered to handle cases of human rights violations and especially the crimes against humanity proven by said Commission.
2. To reiterate before international organisations committed to democracy and freedom, to ratify and extend personalised sanctions, to individuals related to such crimes and at the same time beneficiaries of the thefts and financial operations that they have served to accumulate fortunes to the detriment of peace and the well-being of the Venezuelan people.
3. To reject the invalid electoral arrangements through which the narco-dictatorship seeks to distract the international community, at the same time when Venezuela is struggling with a humanitarian catastrophe that is worsening and will be impossible to overcome for as long as the dictator Maduro continues to usurp the Presidency of the Republic, so that he can then install a transitional government and organise free parliamentary and presidential elections.
4. Here at the Centrist Democrat International, we call on the institutions that oversee human rights to pay close attention to the events that are currently unfolding in dozens of towns and cities in Venezuela, where thousands of Venezuelans are leading days of civic protests, within the framework of the principle of legitimate defence, to claim their inalienable right to freedom and to have basic services such as drinking water, electricity, medicine, food, petrol and domestic gas.