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RED ALAS rejects the offensive against Venezuela and denounces the reactivation of the Monroe Doctrine as a policy of war in Latin America

The ALAS Network – Social Alternative Latin America categorically rejects the capture of the President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, carried out through the U.S. military operation “Absolute Resolve,” executed on January 3, 2026, on Venezuelan territory. This act constitutes a flagrant violation of state sovereignty, the principle of non-intervention, and the prohibition on the use of force enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.

The operation is not an isolated event. It is part of the official formulation of a “Trump Corollary” to the Monroe Doctrine, established in the 2025 United States National Security Strategy, which openly claims the “reaffirmation and application” of that doctrine in order to restore U.S. primacy in the Western Hemisphere. Under this logic, Latin America is redefined as a space of strategic control, subject to military intervention, economic coercion, and political disciplining.

This corollary updates the principle “America for the Americans” as a positive mandate for intervention, legitimizes the unilateral use of force, and turns the fight against alleged “extra-hemispheric competitors” into justification for military operations, control of energy resources, and the forced reconfiguration of governments. The offensive against Venezuela and the illegal capture of its president are the first operational translation of this neo-imperial doctrine.

The ALAS Network warns that this reactivation of the Monroe Doctrine not only violates international law, but also directly threatens regional peace, normalizes regime change through military means, and opens the door to new aggressions against the peoples and governments of Latin America.

In the face of this scenario, we call on social movements, human rights organizations, communities, and the peoples of the continent and the entire world to actively mobilize in defense of sovereignty, self-determination, and peace. Defending the Charter of the United Nations, multilateralism, and international law is not an abstract slogan: it is an urgent task to halt war as a foreign policy and to protect the future of the region.

Latin America is not a zone of influence nor a theater of operations.

It is the territory of peoples who struggle for their dignity, their sovereignty, and their right to peace.

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