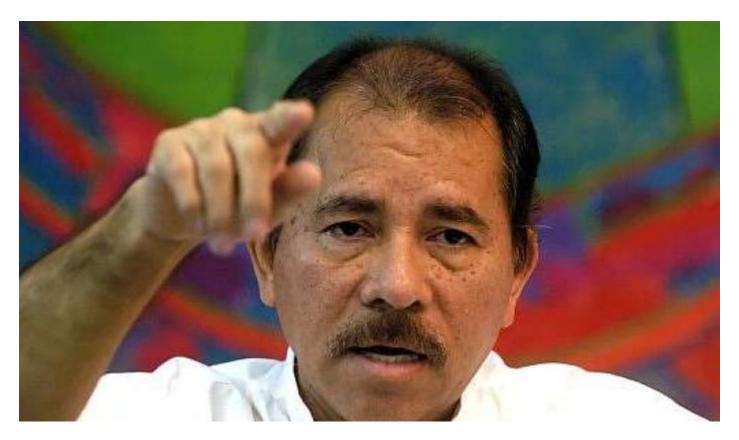
Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega Says U.S. Imperialism Threatens Peace in Central America



Managua, July 7 (RHC-teleSUR)-- Nicaraguan President Ortega says more collaboration needed to thwart U.S. intervention in the region. Ortega said that Central America is living at a time of interventionist and imperialist policies from the U.S., which threatens peace in the region.

Ortega was unable to attend the presidential summit of the Central American Integration System (SICA) in Roatan, Honduras, last week where he was named the organization's president. But through his adviser for international affairs, Denis Moncada, he delivered a strongly-worded message to his counterparts in SICA, which seeks to coordinate economic and political development in the region.

"In Central America, our SICA lives in difficult times, similar to those lived throughout the continent. Times in which understanding is difficult. Times when other voices, that are not their own, intend to prevail at the expense of the interests of our people," said Ortega.

Imperialist forces in the U.S., Ortega said, have set their sights on Brazil, Paraguay, and crucially at the moment, Venezuela. "We want to highlight the strong solidarity of the Nicaraguan people and our government, with the people of Venezuela, our brothers, its constitutional government, and with our dear comrade President Nicolas Maduro."

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