

# *OAS interventionist resolution against Venezuela defeated*

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Washington, January 26 (RHC)-- In a new episode of U.S. interventionism in Latin America, the Organization of American States (OAS) held a session to affirm an interventionist declaration against the constitutional government of the president of Venezuela Nicolas Maduro and in favor of the unconstitutional and illegal actions of the Venezuelan right-wing who is supporting the self-proclaimed "interim president" Juan Guaido.

A total of 18 countries rejected the interventionist statement proposed by Argentina, in a meeting headed by U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. The statement urged the member nations of the OAS to recognize opposition lawmaker Juan Guaido, who proclaimed himself president in an act that is unconstitutional and invalid.

Only 16 out of the 34 countries that are members of the OAS supported the U.S.-sponsored statement. Pompeo gave an interventionist speech alleging that "the time of debate is done," and called "illegitimate" the presidency of democratically and constitutionally elected President Nicolas Maduro.

During the session, "the scene was that of U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, at the head of all alongside the Secretary-General, Luis Almagro, dictating the policies that the rest of the allied governments were dedicated to repeating," said teleSUR correspondent in Washington, Alina Duarte.

The speech given by the U.S. and its right-wing allies is based on an alleged humanitarian help for Venezuela to be given to Guaidó, but the sanctions imposed mainly by the U.S. on Venezuela is what has brought a difficult situation to the South American country.

The OAS has been putting pressure on the Bolivarian government of Venezuela for years, and the Secretary-General Almagro was one of the first officials to recognize Juan Guaidó almost immediately after he had sworn himself in.

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