

# *Venezuela reopens border after 'humanitarian aid' failure*

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Caracas, June 10 (RHC)-- Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro announced over the weekend that the government is opening several bridges along its border with Colombia. The Simon Bolivar, Union and Santander bridges in Venezuela had been ordered closed to traffic since February 22nd when the Colombian government tried to allow 'humanitarian aid' from the United States to illegally enter the country from its border city of Cucuta.

The Simon Bolivar, Union and Santander bridges, all located in Tachira State in Venezuela were closed to traffic February 22nd of this year when Colombia, along with allied countries, U.S., Brazil and Chile, tried to force the illegal entry of USAID supplies into Venezuela.

At the time, the Venezuelan government said the Colombia's President Ivan Duque was putting its national security and sovereignty at risk for facilitating what became a failed attempt by USAID to enter Venezuela with supplies, but without authorization.

The arrival of several trucks of 'humanitarian aid' at the Colombian border with Venezuela in February have been part of a long line of U.S. and right-wing Latin American government attempts to destabilize and overthrow the Maduro administration. A long list of economic sanctions as well as a failed coup attempt April 30th by U.S.-backed, self-declared interim president Juan Guaido are some of the other illegal measures being taken by the Donald Trump administration to remove the constitutional president, Nicolas Maduro, from office.

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