

# *Venezuelan president sends open letter to U.S. people*

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Caracas, April 5 (RHC)-- In a letter addressed to the people of the United States, Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro warned the administration of U.S. President Donald Trump against making any unwise military decisions against the Bolivarian Republic.

Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jorge Arreaza read the letter on Sunday that Venezuelan President Maduro sent to the U.S. people, following Washington's recent threats against the Bolivarian Republic.

In the letter, Nicolas Maduro said that "in Venezuela we do not want an armed conflict in our nation, we cannot accept threats of war," and urged the American people not to believe the reasons that Trump claims for attacking Venezuela.

President Nicolás Maduro rejected the threats of the Trump administration against Venezuela that seek to lead the region to an expensive, bloody and indefinite armed conflict.

"We in Venezuela do not want an armed conflict in our region. We want fraternal relationships, cooperation, exchange and respect," he said. He stated that the country cannot accept threats or blockades, nor the intention to install an international guardianship that violates sovereignty and ignores the advances of the last year in the political dialogue between the government and a large part of the Venezuelan opposition.

After showing solidarity with the U.S. people that are suffering from COVID-19, he called on Americans to hold their leaders accountable and compel them to focus their attention and resources on the necessary and urgent fight against the pandemic.

Furthermore, he requested the cessation of military threats, the end of illegal sanctions and the blockade that restricts access to humanitarian supplies, which are so necessary today in the country to combat this virus. "I ask you, with all my heart, not to allow your country to be drawn, once again, to another endless conflict, another Vietnam or another Iraq, but this time closer to home."

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