

Antigua and Barbuda Warns U.S. Over Threats Against Venezuela



St. John's, August 26 (RHC)-- Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister Gaston Browne has criticized the United States' efforts to achieve regime change in Venezuela, urging Washington to avoid interfering in the South American country's internal affairs.

Browne, responding to recent threats made by U.S. President Donald Trump, reminded the U.S. president of the consequences of foreign intervention. "It is easy to interfere and intervene, but it is most difficult to restore post-intervention peace and stability," the prime minister said. "The instability in Libya and Iraq are lessons from which we should learn."

Defending dialogue between diverse sectors of Venezuelan society, Browne said that neither the United States nor any other country should decide the country's future. He expressed the hope that "a word to the wise, mighty, all powerful and their allies should be sufficient."

"Countries should be allowed to work out their domestic problems, especially where they do not pose a threat to global and hemispheric peace and tranquility," Browne said. "We should resist the urges of intervention and interference in the name of democracy and respect the sovereignty and independence of all states."

Since Trump announced that he is keeping a “military option” open against Venezuela, several countries have commissioned statements in defense of the South American nation’s sovereignty. Dozens of social movements around the world have also expressed solidarity with President Nicolas Maduro and the Bolivarian Revolution.

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