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In a message disseminated through the social network Twitter, Morales said: "The latest version of the misnamed 'Summit of the Americas' is stillborn due to the absence of several brother presidents who

reject the arbitrary and unilateral exclusion of Cuba, Venezuela and Nicaragua by the United States."

Evo Morales also denounced that instead of promoting integration, the current occupant of the White House provokes division.

In addition to the presidents of the three aforementioned nations, the heads of state of Mexico and Bolivia, Andrés Manuel López Obrador and Luis Arce Catacora, respectively, announced that they would not attend the meeting, which began this Monday in the U.S. city of Los Angeles and will conclude on Friday, the 10th.

Both leaders stressed in various scenarios that the summit should be for all countries and that Washington has no right to exclude anyone.

Among other ideas, they stressed that the U.S. government must give way to a new type of hemispheric relations based on respect for diversity, independence and sovereignty of each country, and leave behind hegemonic relations anchored in the Cold War mentality.

According to the media, other Latin American leaders expressed that they will not attend the meeting, among them the presidents of Honduras, El Salvador and Guatemala -- Xiomara Castro, Nayib Bukele and Alejandro Giammattei, respectively.

The main issues to be addressed during the summit are immigration, drug trafficking and security. The absence of several nations whose domestic situation is reflected in these issues at the regional level, calls into question how effective the meeting will be and whether it will become a new defeat for the U.S. President.

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