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PRESIDENTE DE LA
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Your Excellencies

Gustavo Petro

President of the Republic of Colombia
Bogotá.-

Cyril Ramaphosa

President of the Republic of South Africa
Pretoria.-

To the peoples of the world

To the movements in defense of human rights

To the rebellious conscience of humanity

To the heroic Palestinian People

To the nations of West Asia

From the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, we greet with hope and respect the convening of this Special Emergency Ministerial Meeting, promoted by the Republic of Colombia, together with the Republic of South Africa, within the framework of the Hague Group, in order to address in a coordinated and urgent manner the atrocities that continue to be committed against the Palestinian people. This meeting represents an essential moral and political response at a time when the whole of humanity is challenged by horror and impunity.



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On behalf of the Venezuelan People, the Bolivarian Government and on my own behalf, we raise our voice with firmness, moved by the suffering of the Palestinian people and deeply indignant at the passivity of the world in the face of the greatest crime in contemporary history: the ongoing genocide against Palestine.

This is not a recent tragedy. Although since October 2023 we have witnessed a particularly cruel phase of extermination, which has left nearly 60,000 martyrs, 138,520 wounded and thousands missing under the rubble, this genocide did not begin 21 months ago; it dates back to 1948, with the beginning of the Zionist occupation, with the forced expulsion of the Palestinian people from their land and the establishment of a colonial and criminal regime that has used dispossession, repression, blockade and terror as State policies.

What we see today in Gaza, in Rafah, in Nablus, and throughout Palestine is not a conflict between equals. It is a systematic plan to destroy a people, to eradicate its identity, to erase its memory. It is a crime against humanity, sustained by the constant flow of arms, money, surveillance technologies and diplomatic protection coming from the Western powers, who insist on creating a military enclave in West Asia. The Netanyahu regime, under the control of a Zionist elite that has made war and racism a State doctrine, has become the greatest threat to humanity.



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Every bomb that falls on a Palestinian hospital, on a school, on a house, not only kills innocent lives, but also destroys the foundations of world peace, wounds international legality and threatens the very future of the United Nations System. There is no legitimacy or order that can resist this barbarism with impunity.

Regrettably, the institutions created to protect humanity have caved in. The International Court of Justice and the International Criminal Court have behaved with shameful slowness, if not outright complacency. These bodies, which should enforce international law and protect aggrieved peoples, have been colonized by Western interests. They have become instruments of pressure against the weak, but never against the powerful. International justice, today, has been hijacked.

From Venezuela, we denounce this institutional colonization, this structural hypocrisy, this unequal and selective use of law. The international legal architecture cannot continue to be used as a tool of punishment against the sovereign countries of the Global South, while privileges of impunity are granted to those who commit crimes against humanity on a large scale.



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We also reaffirm that Palestine has the right to exist, to resist, to live in freedom, with a fully sovereign State and with East Jerusalem as its capital, in accordance with UN Security Council resolutions. There is no just solution without an immediate end to the occupation, without the annulment of the apartheid regime, without full reparations for the damage inflicted for decades.

In this sense, I have proposed to convene a Great World Summit for Peace and Against War, with the purpose of building a collective and firm solution that will stop the massacre, nuclear disarm the Israeli regime and force it to submit to the international legal system.

This Summit should structure a proposal for a just, effective and lasting peace, born from the people, and not from the elites who profit from war.

We would also like to express our respect and support for the courageous work of the UN Special Rapporteur, Francesca Albanese, on the human rights situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. Her recent report constitutes an act of dignity and truth, for which she has been attacked and threatened. Venezuela expresses its active solidarity with her, as well as a worthy recognition of her courage and a call to her not to cease in her mission, in spite of the sanctions and the stigmatization to which she is subjected. Her voice is necessary. Her truth makes the powerful uncomfortable, but will save the oppressed.



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From Caracas, we say with full conviction: the Palestinian Cause is not a regional or religious issue. It is the line that separates justice from barbarism. It is the moral battle of our time. To defend Palestine is to defend humanity itself. To remain silent in the face of Palestine is to betray the spirit of all the peoples who have fought for their independence and dignity.

With the strength of the Liberator Simón Bolívar and with the ethical and political clarity of Commander Hugo Chávez, for peace, for justice and for the future of humanity, I reiterate our unwavering determination to strengthen the struggle until we find the road to lasting peace in Palestine.

Palestine is not alone. Venezuela is and will always be by its side. Palestine will live. Palestine will win.

Please accept, dear Presidents, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Nicolás Maduro Moros