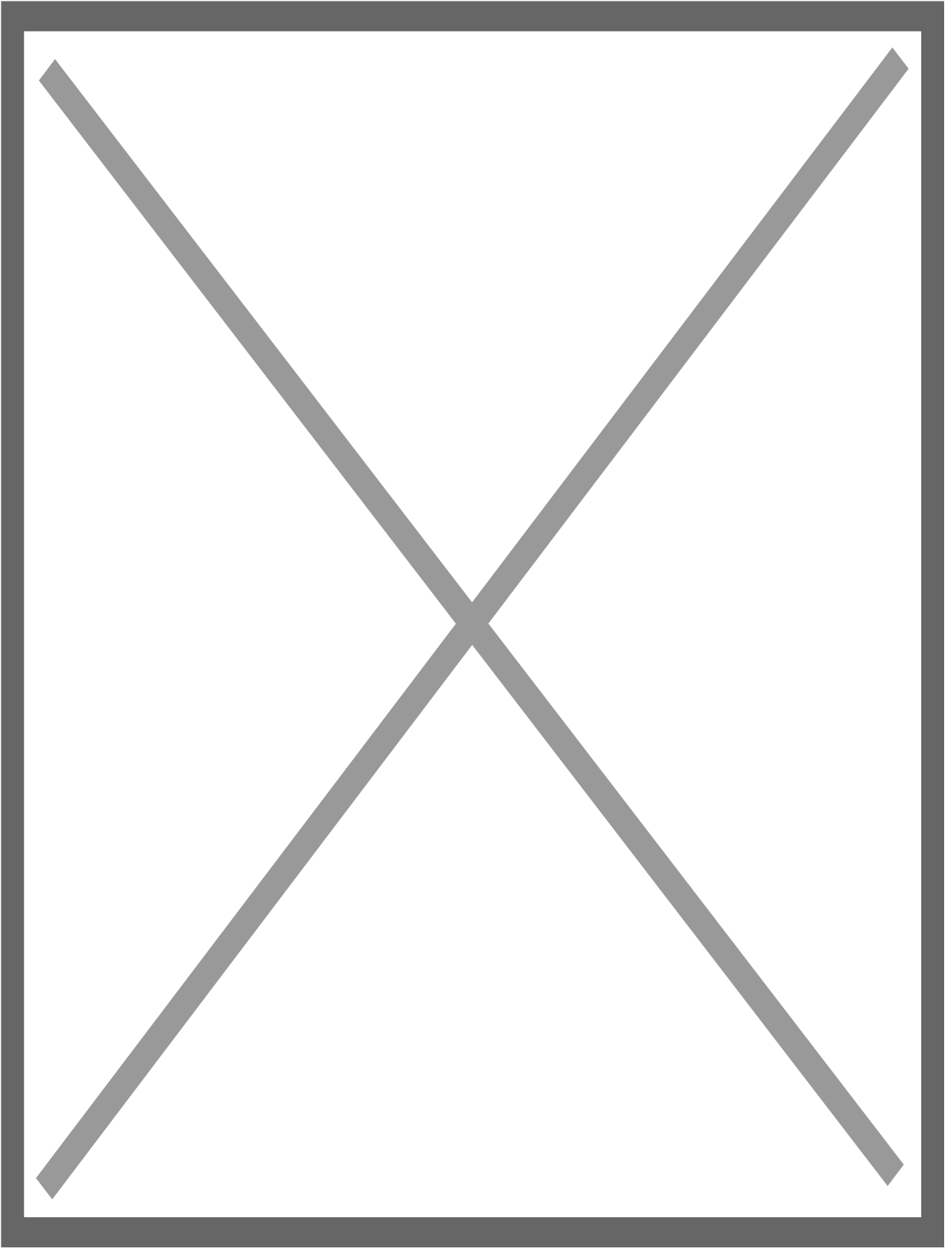


*Report warns that capitalist world
order exacerbated pandemic*

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The report states that the excess and shortage of drugs against COVID-19 are having repercussions on power relations in the world. | Photo: Samuel Robinson Institute

Caracas, April 17 (RHC)-- The Samuel Robinson Institute of Venezuela pointed out this Friday in a report that the current capitalist world order has favored the "take-off of the pandemic" during this 2021, "marked by the conflict around the unequal and restrictive distribution of vaccines against COVID-19".

"The vaccine represents ground zero for interpreting the geopolitical and systemic transformations that we are witnessing," says the 55-page document entitled "Big Pharma Against the World: Vaccines and Global State of Exception."

Likewise, it assures that the planet is at a "critical" and "decisive" point at the same time, because although scientists have been able to develop vaccines to stop the global emergency, these have been hijacked by hoarding policies led by rich countries.

"The entire planet is immersed in a critical and at the same time decisive point: enough drugs to finally see the light at the end of the tunnel, but at the same time hijacked by hoarding policies, excessive accumulation and commodified patents," the institution explains in the text.

It also explains that this reality distances "the possibilities of overcoming the pandemic situation, as the virus mutates and becomes more aggressive as a result of the delay in immunization in large areas of the planet."

The authors of the Samuel Robinson Institute study state that the problem is aggravated by the existence of Big Pharma -- "the conglomerate of the main Western pharmaceutical companies" -- which is committed to perpetuating and reinventing the relationship between capital and the State.

"Behind the monopolization of vaccines by the rich States, and the subsequent exclusion of peripheral countries from the main supply lines, lies the intention to reformat the global order," warns the document.

At the same time, the report points out that "the widespread impact of both excess and total drug shortages" is already having an impact on "the distribution of power and the destructive footprints left by the pandemic."

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