

# *Venezuela continues offensive against criminals paid by Colombia*



**The actions of the Venezuelan Armed Forces led to the arrest and neutralization of numerous criminals. | Photo: Twitter @fanb**

Caracas, February 12 (RHC)-- The Venezuelan armed forces continue operations against paramilitary forces and criminal gangs operating in the vicinity of the Colombian-Venezuelan border, which, according to the Venezuelan government, operate in complicity with Colombia.

This was announced by Venezuelan Interior Minister Remigio Ceballos, who also announced the arrest of seven more people in Las Tejerías, Aragua state, where Operation Cacique Indio Guaicaipuro II is being

carried out against criminal groups.

Ceballos' announcement follows the denunciation made the day before by Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro regarding the case of one of the ringleaders, alias "Conejo," who managed to escape the siege along with other criminals.

According to the Venezuelan president: "An important group of criminals have been captured in Tejerías, financed and trained by Colombian paramilitarism. The detainees are confirming Duque's responsibility."

The Venezuelan president assured that the paramilitary base was being activated by the Structured Group of Organized Crime (GEDO) to, as he said, "attack Caracas under Duque's orders; they were financed and trained by Iván Duque's narco-paramilitarism in Colombia."

In the same sense, he pointed out that Carlos Luis Revete, a criminal known as alias el Koki and who was killed during the confrontations, established himself in the Autopista Regional del Centro because it is one of the most important roads in the country.

The anti-crime operation began last weekend with the aim of finding the whereabouts of both criminals. In the case of alias "El Koki." He was killed last Tuesday in the municipality of Santos Michelena, in Las Tejerías.

On the other hand, in Aragua, Venezuelan forces deactivated a camp dedicated to the manufacture of traps and fragmented explosive devices with shrapnel, to cause casualties and death to the population, as well as drug laboratories used by the Colombian Armed Terrorist Drug Trafficking Groups (Tancol).

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