

Venezuelan president arrives in Egypt to participate in COP27

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Cairo, November 6 (RHC)-- The president of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, arrived Saturday in Egypt to participate in the 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP27) to be held from November 6 to 18 in Sharm el-Sheikh.

Speaking to the media, the president said that "we have to demand from the South that there be a change in the highly polluting developmentalist systems of the North, of Europe, of the United States".

"Venezuela brings a firm position of accelerating the steps for the fulfillment of the agreements that have been signed, as well as the processes so that the destructive capitalist model is replaced by a humane model," he asserted.

Recalling the participation of Commanders Fidel Castro and Hugo Chávez in meetings on the environment, the head of state said that "now it is our turn to bring the voice of the peoples of the south, the demand of the peoples of the south to comply with the mitigation and attention plans of what is a destructive capitalist model (...) all the effects that the peoples of the south suffer".

In addition, he added that the rainy season of this 2022 has hit the region, with floods and landslides that have caused diverse affectations to the populations.

"On the financial architecture, we agree with the proposal of the G77 + China to comply with the financing funds, especially for the mitigation tasks of the southern countries," he said.

The President explained that "we are going to take part in several working tables, as well as in the central plenary where there are 196 countries. We are going to bring the voice of Venezuela, of the countries of the South", and of the countries that make up the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America - Peoples' Trade Agreement (ALBA-TCP).

According to the United Nations (UN), this edition of the conference will build on the results of COP26 to adopt measures on essential issues and address the current climate emergency.

"They range from urgently reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening resilience and adapting to the unavoidable consequences of climate change, to fulfilling commitments to finance climate action in developing countries," the UN said.

More than 30,000 accredited delegates, including heads of state and representatives of international organizations, are expected to attend.

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