

# *No one believes U.S. claims that Venezuela threatens its security*

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When last May 31st a Conviasa plane landed in Damascus, the air links between Venezuela and Syria were resumed, cemented, among others, by then President Hugo Chavez, whose birthday anniversary was remembered, especially by young people from the South American country.

Chavez, vital, with eternal humor and deep political convictions, visited Syria more than once, punished by a war imposed from abroad, whose traces still remain.

Venezuelans also face hard times, who although they left behind the most critical stage of inflation, still suffer from it, as well as lack of food, medical supplies and resources to rescue the battered oil industry.

The international corporate press is always talking about the hardships in Venezuela and puts the brutal U.S. sanctions at the bottom of the list of causes, and in many cases they do not even mention them at all.

Less mentioned are the steps taken in Venezuela to open up agriculture, fishing and other sectors, traditionally buried by the once brilliant and mono-exporting oil, today subjected to the scorn of shortages in order to advance towards the essential modernization.

However, Venezuela persists in consolidating a more sustainable, stable and diversified energy sector in the midst of the organization of the 2024 presidential elections.

The opposition made official 14 candidates to compete in an internal contest, with one of the most sought-after candidates by those who oppose the Bolivarian revolution, María Corina Machado, disqualified from holding elective office by the General Administration.

The entity alleged irregularities detected in Machado's sworn statements on her patrimonial management.

It was enough for the European Parliament, which plays court to the United States, to adopt a critical resolution, very similar to that of the U.S. State Department and the OAS.

Meanwhile, Chavismo maintains its organizational bases and the United Socialist Party of Venezuela works with its historical base, without trusting that the opposition is cracked.

Meanwhile, the United States signed for the eighth time the decree declaring Venezuela what nobody believes: an unusual and extraordinary threat against the security of the United States.

This coincided with the announcement that the Colombian airline Wingo will fly again to Venezuela, as did Conviasa to Damascus, signs that they have not been able to drown the Bolivarian revolution.

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