

*Cuba strongly condemns U.S.  
hijacking of Venezuelan  
presidential plane*

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**A Dassault Falcon 900EX owned and operated by Venezuela, parked on the tarmac at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport in Florida on Monday. Credit: Cristobal Herrera-Ulashkevich/EPA**

Havana, September 3 (RHC)-- Cuba has strongly condemned the U.S. hijacking of a Venezuelan jet used as a presidential plane by Nicolas Maduro.

On this X account, Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel said:

*"Once again, #Venezuela is the focus of aggression and blackmail."*

*We denounce the plundering of resources that belong to the Venezuelan State and demand the complete lifting of unilateral coercive measures against our Venezuelan sisters and brothers." @DiazCanelB*

For his part, Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodriguez also denounced the international crime of stealing an aircraft from another country and claiming it as its own. The top Cuban diplomat called the action "an act of piracy and a violation of International Law."

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