Venezuelan president highlights the historical struggle of Latin American peoples against global fascism



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Caracas, January 12 (RHC)-- In an emotional speech during the closing of the World Antifascist Festival, the president of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, stressed the importance of history and the resistance of the Latin American peoples, evoking emblematic figures such as Salvador Allende and the indigenous chieftains of Abya Yala.

In his speech, Maduro called for unity and love in the fight for justice, openly criticizing the lack of courage in the current political leadership, specifically citing Chilean President Gabriel Boric.

"How much does Chile need a Salvador Allende? How much cowardice is there in Chile's political power?" Maduro asked, urging the emergence of leaders who represent their people with dignity and courage. In this sense, he stressed the need for people to rise up alongside their leaders in a joint fight for dignity and justice.

The Venezuelan president also highlighted the fundamental role of the Bolivarian National Armed Forces (FANB), stating that "Venezuela is at peace and the people have won." He said that January 10 represents a day of historical arrival and synthesis, where it was shown who is right: "the sacred, divine and popular truth" against fascism and imperialism.

Maduro recalled that historical struggles have given rise to brilliant leaders such as Fidel Castro and Hugo Chávez, who have inspired generations in their search for a more just future. "The force of history was stronger," he said, emphasizing that it is essential to build a solid economic base and a collective conscience that promotes national unity.

The president also emphasized the legends of indigenous resistance that have marked the history of the continent. He mentioned chieftains such as Huaycaipuró and Nohely Pocaterra as symbols of struggle and dignity. "History was written by the colonialists," he said, thus vindicating the forgotten narratives of the native peoples.

In a defiant tone towards fascist and colonial institutions, Maduro criticized organizations such as the OAS, suggesting that its relevance has diminished in the face of the advance of popular movements in Latin America. "We are everywhere because there are fighters who love us," he said firmly.

Maduro reaffirmed his commitment to popular resistance and called on all Latin Americans to continue fighting for a future where social justice and sovereignty prevail. The celebration of the World Antifascist Festival thus becomes a space to remember past struggles and project renewed hope for the future.

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