

# *Venezuela Sends Third Aid Shipment to Palestine*

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Caracas, November 3 (teleSUR-RHC) -- The Venezuelan government has sent its third aid shipment to Palestine as part of the measures ordered by President Nicolas Maduro to help Palestinians after the last Israeli military offensive.

The shipment was sent by plane and consists of 10.3 tons of food and medicines.

Linda Sobeh Ali, Palestinian ambassador in Venezuela, went to Caracas airport to thank the 25 person delegation that will also fly to Palestine to talk with 100 Palestinians who are going to study medicine in Venezuela.

The Israeli offensive against the Gaza Strip in July killed about 2,000 people, mostly civilians, and destroyed a large part of the Gazan infrastructure, including hospitals, schools and a power plant. About 70 Israelis were killed during the offensive, mostly soldiers.

Since the offensive ended, Venezuela has sent about 50 tons of humanitarian aid to Palestine. Caracas has also said it will help to reconstruct Gaza.

Since late Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez took office in 1999, Venezuela and Palestine have maintained strong ties.



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