

# *Cuba Denounces U.S.-Led International Campaign Against Venezuela*

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Havana, August 1 (RHC)-- Cuba's Ministry of Foreign Relations, MINREX, has issued a statement denouncing the implementation of an international campaign, led by the United States, to silence the voice of the Venezuelan people.

The MINREX statement reiterated Cuba's full support and unwavering solidarity with the people and government of Venezuela, emphasizing that during Sunday's elections for the National Constituent Assembly, voters came out by the millions to demonstrate to the world that they are in full possession of their sovereign rights.

The statement issued by Cuba's Foreign Ministry noted that Venezuelan voters "challenged barricades, blocked streets, economic sabotage and international threats."

Cuba denounced what it called "a well planned international operation, directed from Washington with the support of the OAS General Secretary, intended to silence the voice of the Venezuelan people, ignore their expressed will, and force them to surrender with attacks and economic sanctions."

Cuba's Foreign Ministry pointed to Washington's newly imposed sanctions against constitutional President Nicolás Maduro Moro, calling them "unprecedented, arbitrary sanctions that violate international law."

The statement issued by MINREX recalled the words of Cuban President Raul Castro on July 14th at the National Assembly of People's Power. On that occasion, the Cuban president said: "The aggression and coup violence against Venezuela harms all of Our America and only benefits the interests of those set on dividing us in order to exercise their control over our people, unconcerned about causing conflicts of incalculable consequences in the region, like those we are seeing in different parts of the world."

And Cuba's Foreign Ministry statement concludes: "Nothing can stop a people which takes control of its destiny. Only Venezuelans can decide how to resolve their problems and chart their future."

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