

# *Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega says planned U.S. sanctions will bring poverty*

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Managua, October 3 (RHC)-- Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega has criticized the draft sanctions that the United States Congress is discussing against his government saying such actions would bring poverty and economic troubles to his country.

"I say to the U.S. congresspeople and senators who are voting in favor of this interventionist law that what they are coming to is simply to harm the country's economy," the president said in a massive rally he led along with Vice President Rosario Murillo. Addressing thousands of people who marched in the capital Managua in favor of peace, Ortega criticized the Nicaragua Investment Conditionality (NICA) Act, a project that proposes to condition international loans to Nicaragua.

"They think that with it (the NICA Act legislation) the Nicaraguan people are going to get down on their knees, and they do not realize that these are people that do not sell out or surrender," Ortega proclaimed. He went on to criticize the United Nations for its lack of action in favor of real issues affecting the world and instead at times acting inline of the foreign policy of certain nations against others.

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and instead at times acting in line of the foreign policy of certain nations against others. "The Organization called the United Nations but it is far from being the United Nations," he cried out among the thousands of attendees who braved a rainstorm, adding that this is because there is a "division in the planet" where on one side "wealth is concentrated in few hands and on the other (there is) poverty and misery".

Ortega, who entered the stage waving to the big great crowd and holding in his arms some children continued his attack against "voracity" "of wealth, which leads to the policies of "expansionism, colonialism and domination."

"That has been the practice throughout history, of the oldest empires, always seeking to dominate more peoples to have greater wealth under their control and have military strength and economic strength to confront other empires," he said and lamented that this situation continues despite the creation of the United Nations many decades ago.

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