

# *Action Alert from peace activists inside Venezuelan Embassy in Washington, DC*

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Washington, May 4 (RHC)-- In breaking news, the Embassy Protection Collective -- safe-guarding Venezuela's Embassy in Washington, DC -- has issued a press release concerning constant, physical attacks on the building. An urgent notice has been sent to the U.S. Secret Service, the Department of Homeland Security, District of Columbia government and the U.S. State Department.

The notice reads:

At this moment, the violent mob that you have allowed to continually commit acts of violence against persons and property at the Venezuelan embassy is actively working to smash in the doors while your officers give permission to the assault and explicitly refuse to intervene.

As you know, and your officers have witnessed, members of this mob have physically attacked and made death threats to the peace activists who are inside and around the embassy. This presence inside the embassy, as you also know, is lawful, as the peace activists were invited inside the embassy by those lawfully in charge of the premises.

There has been no action that has divested them of the right to be inside the embassy or lawful process that could authorize removal.

Instead you are authorizing a vigilante group to attack the peace activists inside.

You must take action immediately to cease this assault, and ensure that there is no violence against the persons inside. They are in grave danger from the mob you have facilitated and authorized to besiege the embassy.

You are responsible for any acts of violence that will be committed against these peace activists inside the embassy.

Sincerely,

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on behalf of the Embassy Protection Collective  
Partnership for Civil Justice Fund

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