

# *Cuba vigorously rejects the activation of TIAR*

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Havana, September 13 (RHC)-- The Cuban Government rejected on Friday the unearthing by the OAS of the dormant Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance --TIAR--, invoked by Washington and allies against the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. The agreement was drafted by the US to legitimize military interventions in Latin America for ideological reasons” during the Cold War.

Full text of a Statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs follows:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs denounces the shameful decision to activate the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance (TIAR), a treaty that contemplates the use of military force.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs strongly rejects its invocation on the pretext of describing the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela as a threat to peace and security in the Hemisphere, when in reality it is the interference of the Monroe Doctrine applied by the United States, the hostility towards Venezuela and the use of this treaty for those purposes what endanger regional peace and security.

Once again, the discredited Organization of American States was the vehicle for this ignomin, while a group worthy of governments clearly opposed this decision.

To invoke the TIAR that the United States used to justify military interventions and aggressions in the region and that caused so much pain and death to Latin Americans and the Caribbean is a deliberate attempt to provoke a situation that could trigger the use of force to overthrow the legitimate government of President Nicolás Maduro Moros, in open opposition to the principles of International Law and the Proclamation of Latin America and the Caribbean as a Zone of Peace.

By rejecting this decision, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs calls on the governments and peoples of Our America and the world to resolutely oppose this measure that seeks to justify, through artificial legal protection, an unacceptable intervention in the internal affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

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