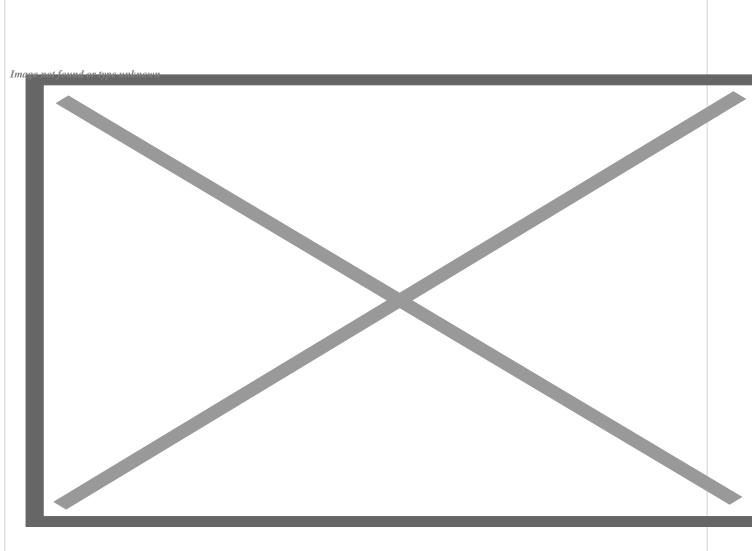
## Venezuelan president remembers 201st anniversary of Battle of Carabobo



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Caracas, June 25 (RHC)-- Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro has called on his compatriots to continue fighting for the consolidation of a new era of prosperity for their country.

"Simon Bolivar knew that if the consolidation of the military, political, and geopolitical victory in South America was not achieved, the Spanish imperialist army would not have been completely expelled from our lands, and a counteroffensive would occur sooner rather than later," the Venezuelan president said.

"That is why, from the beginning, Bolivar conceived a strategy of continental liberation: the integration and independence of South America," Maduro explained at a ceremony to remember the 201 years of the Battle of Carabobo and celebration of the Day of the Bolivarian Army.

"A beautiful celebration of the victory of the Battle of Carabobo... My deepest congratulations and an embrace to each one of our soldiers, who are the direct heirs of the glories of Carabobo."

"In Carabobo are all the dreams and paths that our Liberators forged to give us freedom. There are over 200 years of struggles for the sovereignty of the Homeland, which we continue to defend with love and commitment. Long live Bolívar and our Patriot Army!

"The great liberation campaigns are at the deep base of our roots and identity, with which we present ourselves to the world," the Bolivarian leader added.

The Venezuelan head of state also recalled that Simon Bolivar conceived Latin America as one "Great Homeland" united by solidarity, equality, and justice. That was his legacy.

"That is the Bolivarian vision. And that is why we now assume ourselves fully and absolutely as militants in Bolivar's cause. That is why we proudly say we are the Bolivarians of the 21st century," Maduro stated.

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