

The president who never existed

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Juan Guaidó, the president in charge of Venezuela according to the terminology of the United States and the Latin American right wing, has been removed from his mud podium by the same people who raised him up in a delirious exercise of fiction, crowned with failure.

The news of the defenestration of the man they tried to present as the opposition leader par excellence in Venezuela has had very little space in the hegemonic press.

This has been the case in contrast with the prominence given when Guaidó "swore" his office in a Caracas square in 2019, without presidential sash, votes and transfer of command, only surrounded by anti-Chavista hotheads.

Donald Trump, who as president attempted a coup against the Capitol of his country in 2021, recognized the brand new Caracas' first president and granted him what in the criteria of the Republican magnate would be enough, the endorsement of the North.

This was not a spontaneous creature but an experiment designed in Washington to confront the constitutional government of Venezuela, sanctioned by the United States.

With illustrative speed, the right-wing chancelleries in Latin American countries, the so-called Lima Group, now extinct, and the European Parliament seconded Trump's move.

In that way they gave a halo to the one who appointed his close ones as ambassadors, but these had no legality, and to the president who never spoke at the UN or was able to exercise control in the national territory.

Mind you, Guaidó was under criticism for his lack of transparency and corruption and attempted a coup d'état in Venezuela together with Leopoldo López, from his same Voluntad Popular party, in a vain attempt to attract the armed forces to his fold.

After four years of procedures to validate the unbelievable, the 2015 National Assembly in exile, as unreal as the president-in-charge, has just overthrown the latter because, as he accepts, he is not useful.

The United States was left stranded without a representation to shore up, although to rinse its face, the spokesman of the National Security Council, John Kirby, commented that his government continues to recognize what he described as the authority of the 2015 Venezuelan National Assembly.

In other words, another game of political extravagance for which, sterile, he seeks followers.

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