

Venezuela declares former Colombian presidents Álvaro Uribe and Iván Duque Public Enemies

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Deputy Pedro Carreño highlighted Álvaro Uribe's ties with drug trafficker Pablo Escobar Gaviria. Photo: @Asamblea_Ven

Caracas, January 22 (RHC)-- The National Assembly of Venezuela has unanimously approved the Draft Agreement to declare the paramilitaries, terrorists, drug traffickers, fascists, murderers, criminals and representatives of the international far right, Álvaro Uribe Vélez and Iván Duque, former presidents of Colombia, as public and despicable enemies of the country.

"For being part of a systematic plan to attack the sovereignty, peace and self-determination of the Venezuelan people, in its desperate attempt to intervene militarily in the Bolivarian homeland in order to generate deaths, chaos and political destabilization in the country, whose fundamental objective is to unsuccessfully overthrow the legitimate and constitutional Government, presided over by citizen Nicolás Maduro Moros," highlights the text of the Draft Agreement.

Deputy Pedro Carreño, when presenting the Draft Agreement, indicated that with the adjective used, the document falls short.

The Draft Agreement to Declare the paramilitary, terrorist, drug trafficker, fascist, murderer, criminal and representative of the international ultra-right, Álvaro Uribe Vélez and Iván Duque, as public enemies of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, was approved unanimously.

He explained that the first position that Álvaro Uribe held in 1981 was that of Director of Civil Aeronautics of Colombia. "During his administration, 562 licenses were granted to operate aircraft, and he granted Pablo Escobar three hangars at the Medellín airport and authorized a fleet of planes."

In this regard, he highlighted Álvaro Uribe's ties with drug trafficker Pablo Escobar Gaviria, as well as the relationship of his father, Alberto Uribe Sierra, with Fabio Ochoa Restrepo, father of the Ochoa Clan.

“If that man has all that in his record, could it be that the United States does not know about it?” He also showed a declassified DEA document where the most important Colombian drug traffickers are listed and in number 82 appears the name of Álvaro Uribe Vélez, where he is described as a “Colombian politician linked to the Medellín Cartel and personal friend of Pablo Escobar, with whom he worked in his political career.”

“The Uribe that we are going to declare a public enemy of this country, should be declared a public enemy of humanity, because he is the same “genius” at the service of evil, who gave rise to the Convivir cooperatives, which are the genesis of the paramilitary structures. More than 40,000 Colombians died at the hands of paramilitary organizations in Colombia,” he denounced.

For his part, the first vice president of Parliament, deputy Pedro Infante showed photographic evidence of the links between Álvaro Uribe and the former president Iván Duque, and in turn, these with figures of the Venezuelan extreme right such as the self-proclaimed Venezuelan president Juan Guaidó or the former candidate Edmundo González.

In this regard, he proposed that Iván Duque be included in the Agreement, with the same qualifications as Álvaro Uribe.

On January 11, former president Álvaro Uribe Vélez called for a military intervention in Venezuela, to generate a war in the country and attack the sovereignty, territorial integrity, independence and legitimate Government of the constitutional president of Nicolás Maduro Moros, elected for the period 2025-2031.

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