

Venezuelan Legislator Gives Details on Thwarted Coup



Caracas, February 13 (RHC-teleSUR) -- Venezuelan National Assembly head Diosdado Cabello revealed the details Thursday night of what the government says was a “thwarted coup.” His public announcement followed an earlier statement by President Nicolas Maduro.

Cabello and Maduro said the plan was financed from the United States and was to be carried out early Thursday during the anniversary of the start of last year's violent opposition blockades, and marches Friday by the country's youth.

People were allegedly going to be killed during the marches, while strategic targets would have been bombed in an attempt to overthrow the Maduro government.

Cabello said it was important to inform the people of the plans and names of people involved in the attempt, which he said included a small group of civilians and airforce officials.

He said that thanks to the actions of state security and intelligence officials, various people and their equipment were detained and confiscated, including a computer with the tactical objectives of the coup group, including the Miraflores Palace, the justice ministry, the teleSUR building, the National Electoral Council (CNE), and the military intelligence headquarters.

Cabello argued that the opposition was organizing legal activities, such as collecting signatures, while at the same time “secretly planning a coup.”

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