

## UN General Assembly 2019: Venezuela, Russia, China Denounce Violations of International Treaties and Distortions of UN Charter

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As Venezuelan Chairman of the Non Aligned Movement, comprising 120 nations and observer states, Foreign Minister Jorge Arreaza denounced devious and Machiavellian ploys attempted by the US to force regime change on his country, with efforts to isolate the country, together with vicious unilateral coercive sanctions.

Having failed to force regime change on Venezuela, using the most drastic methods, the latest US connivance attempts to manipulate the United Nations Credentials Committee to evict the legitimate Maduro government of Venezuela from the United Nations, and usurp its place with their puppet, Juan Guaido and his gang. This newest "ingenious" ploy failed, however, as the majority of UN member states support the Maduro government, despite the bombardment by an obsequious major Western media disinformation campaign.

This connivance actually threatens the sovereignty of all member states of the United Nations, as it is a covert internal method of discrediting any legitimate government which displeases the US, and forcing regime change on any or every independent state.

Arreaza stated:

"In this order, as we have been alerting our sisters and brothers of the Non-Aligned Movement throughout this year, 2019, a minority group of countries, led by the United States of America, intend to instrumentalize our United Nations Organization as a weapon of intervention in matters that are essentially within the internal jurisdiction of our nations, through the promotion of a coup d'etat against the constitutional authorities of Venezuela by challenging their legitimate credentials."

"This maneuver, which flagrantly violates the UN Charter, the norms of international law and even sentences of the International Court of Justice, is intended to be rehearsed in the afternoon of tomorrow, when it is planned that our Vice President take the floor in the General Debate of the General Assembly. We are sure that with your valuable support, and from the decisions taken unanimously last July in Caracas, we will overcome together this new attack that seeks to set a negative precedent that would allow third parties to arrogate the right to designate, illegally, the authorities and diplomatic representatives of another independent country, and thus ignore the sovereign will of their peoples."

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov also highlights this insidious usurpation of control of

independent international organizations, and states:

"In order to justify revisionist "rules," the West resorts to manipulation of public consciousness, dissemination of false information, double standards on human rights, suppression of undesirable media......Instead of equal collective work, closed formats beyond legitimate multilateral framework are being created, and approaches agreed upon behind closed doors by a narrow group of the "select few" are then declared 'multilateral agreements.' This is accompanied by the attempts to 'privatize' the secretariats of international organizations, to use them in order to advance non-consensual ideas in circumvention of universal mechanisms."

"We are now facing the attempts to add Venezuela to the list of countries whose statehood was destroyed before our eyes through aggression of coups inspired from abroad. Like the overwhelming majority of the UN members, Russia is rejecting the attempts to....change from outside regimes in sovereign states, descending to the methods of military blackmail, unlawful coercion and blockade as it happens in relation to Cuba in defiance of the UN resolutions."

China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi concurred, obviously referring to Venezuela, Cuba, Nicaragua, etc.:

"It is not legitimate or justifiable for any country standing from a position of power to impose unilateral sanctions or exercise long-arm jurisdiction over other countries, as such practice has no basis in international law. To put one's own interests above the common interests of all other countries is a typical bullying practice that finds no support of the people."

Wang states further, in a clear reference to the flagrant violation of Article 6 of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, the bulging and increasing nuclear arsenals of the major nuclear weapons states:

"We urge the countries with the largest nuclear arsenals to fully fulfill their special and primary responsibilities in nuclear disarmament."

The Foreign Ministers of Russia, Venezuela and China share scathing criticism of the egregious predations and corruption of the international order intrinsic to and inevitable within international capitalism.

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