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## 2021 in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

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2021 will remain in the history of Venezuela as the year where particularly the United States and the European Union reinforced the aggressions and unilateral sanctions initiated since previous years. Also as his people faced them in peace, with courage and dignity.



## YEAR OF US-EUROPEAN SANCTIONS

*Some emblematic examples.*

In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, the blockade of medical supplies increased. Until the Covax program related to the World Health Organization (WHO), has not delivered the entire batch of paid vaccines. The venerable British journal *Nature*, of "natural sciences", published false "medical" news, with anonymous testimony, reporting that in Venezuela there was "... government repression to impose biosecurity and vaccination measures... doctors who for their statements had been arrested by government forces." Another example of the media war against Venezuela.



. Bloqueo de productos básicos, incluida la alimentación. [EEUU y la UE siguieron bloqueando cuentas bancarias y reservas de oro venezolanas](#). Se sumó una hiper-inflación, en realidad una grosera hiper-especulación inducida por comerciantes venezolanos sin escrúpulos. EEUU aplicó bloqueos a combustibles y en actos de piratería capturó cargamentos de tanqueros iraníes destinados a Venezuela.

. EEUU y sus “aliados” de la UE brindaron protección a venezolanos prófugos de la ley por delitos de incitación a la violencia con víctimas fatales, golpes de Estado y secuestros de bienes. Sin la menor decencia siguieron reconociendo a su títere autoproclamado presidente de Venezuela. Gracias a ellos lograron acaparar bienes del Estado venezolano y bloquear sus cuentas bancarias y el oro depositado en sus bancos.

. La realidad es que estos bloqueos tienen un objetivo clásico: incitar a la población a una revuelta contra su gobierno para justificar una intervención con bandera de libertad y democracia, para apropiarse de los bienes y riquezas naturales del país, incluyendo la más grande reserva de petróleo del mundo, oro, diamantes y otros valiosos minerales.

. En octubre EEUU con el apoyo de Cabo Verde, violando leyes internacionales secuestró al diplomático venezolano Alex Saab, en misión para lograr abastecimientos.

. Cuando Venezuela anunció elecciones para elegir gobernadores, alcaldes y legisladores, EEUU y la UE intentaron prohibirlas e impedir la participación de candidatos de la oposición. Un vocero ha sido el Alto representante de la UE para Asuntos Exteriores, Josep Borrell.

. En diciembre, los Países-Bajos prohibieron un vuelo oficial de la Vicepresidenta de Venezuela, *Delcy Rodríguez*, que debía presentarse ante la Corte Penal Internacional de La Haya.

. El Comando Sur de EEUU recordó las declaraciones de la Casa Blanca: “en el caso de Venezuela ninguna opción está descartada”. Basado en Florida, es uno de los 10 comandos de combate del Departamento de Defensa que controla América del Sur con 9 bases en Colombia.

## AÑO DE RESISTENCIA EN PAZ

*Contra los bloqueos, sanciones unilaterales y otras amenazas, la respuesta del pueblo venezolano ha sido inequívoca. Citamos algunos ejemplos, hechos y realidades.*

. Gracias a acuerdos diplomáticos entre el gobierno venezolano y sus aliados, como Rusia, China, Irán y Cuba, el pueblo venezolano revolucionario logro resistir, en paz.

. La bioseguridad recomendada por las autoridades se observó con una disciplina colectiva voluntaria ejemplar. No se presentaron protestas como en naciones “desarrolladas”. Rusia, China y Cuba suministraron vacunas contra el Covid-19 y 90% de la población es vacunada. La Universidad Johns Hopkins de EEUU reportó en agosto como tasa de

mortalidad por millón de habitantes 183 en Venezuela y respectivamente 1105, 1677, 1707, 1748, 1897 y 1961 en Alemania, Francia, Portugal, España, EEUU e Inglaterra. Francia publicó en diciembre un mapa de mortalidad mundial elocuente (*ver ilustración*).



tags. [The objective of US and EU blockades](#) to incite the Venezuelan people to a revolt against their government in order to justify intervention failed; on the contrary, the November elections took place without incident and with an overwhelming majority of opposition candidates. The application of more than 49% of women and 69 indigenous communities was highlighted. The Bolivarian people demonstrated forcefully in support of their authorities, as reflected in their votes. For example, of the 23 governorships the revolution won 20 and the opposition 2. A governorship was left in dispute and new elections will be held in January 2022.

tags. In response to Josep Borrell's threats, a group of "Language Allies" of European origin committed to the revolution was created. A public video was sent to him on personal Twitter politely but firmly asking him to rectify his statements. In Europe this video was broadcast in Spanish, Basque, Italian, French, English, Slovenian and Russian. In the same way, the Netherlands was asked to rectify its official flight ban to the Vice President of Venezuela to travel to The Hague.

tags. To the inflation induced by unscrupulous merchants the people reacted with a movement called "entrepreneurs". They began to process cheaper products. The same government continued to distribute millions of bags of food at ridiculous prices. The government put into service hundreds of vehicles "Farma Móvil" to distribute economic medicines and face the high costs of the "Big Pharma".



tags. Despite the restrictions, the government managed to maintain the Gran Misión Vivienda Venezuela program created in 2011 at the initiative of Hugo Chávez to guarantee decent housing to the people. In 2021 this program reached the historic milestone of [housing 3,900,000](#). The CDI Comprehensive Diagnostic Centers, where Cuban doctors provide free, human and quality medical services at the national level, kept operational.

tags. The aim of inducing a popular uprising over [fuel shortages](#) also failed. The population queues for several hours to fill in peace, and no significant protest was observed.



tags. US and EU support for the self-proclaimed president was ridiculed internationally when on December 6 the UN General Assembly recognized President Nicolás Maduro as Venezuela's legitimate representative; of 193 countries, 16 denied it.



tags. To the threats of war from the US Southern Command, the Venezuelan people responded by celebrating with patriotic fervor the bicentennial of the victorious Battle of Carabobo towards its independence from the Kingdom of Spain.



tags. As for Colombia and the statements of its president Iván Duque accusing the president of Venezuela of being a dictator, the Venezuelan people do not pay attention to it. He shares his country with six million Colombian refugees fleeing their 60-year-old civil war. He knows of the Colombian-American relations of the world's largest cocaine producer with the largest consumer. He knows this from the March 5 report [from the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy \(ONDCP\)](#). He also knows that the [Colombian people suffer a dictatorial repression](#) by their police, military and paramilitary bodies that in 2021 carried out [92 massacres](#) murdering 198 popular leaders as well as 48 signatories of the peace agreement between the government and former members of the FARC-EP, Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia-People's Army. Speaking of justice, by an agreement between Colombia and the United States, a U.S. military officer who commits a crime, including rape or murder, cannot be tried by Colombian justice but must be handed over to be tried in the United States.



Beyond their blockades and inhuman deprivations, the realities that most excited the people during 2021 have been others more peaceful and humane. For example, the outstanding participation of their Golden Generation in the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Tokyo where they achieved the best participation in their sporting history, with eleven medals and a world record. His Guinness record as the largest orchestra in the world when 12,000 musicians of the more than one million of the [Simón Bolívar National System of Orchestras](#), performed [Tchaikovsky's Slavic March](#). He was even proud when a young woman of the Wayuu indigenous ethnicity graduated as a helicopter pilot of his Armed Forces and proud also when the Vatican beatified the Venezuelan Dr. José Gregorio Hernández, better known as "the doctor of the poor".



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As for the stateless people who sell and plunder their country, the people hope with the same peace that sooner or later justice will act or that time will do as it sometimes does.

Note by the Editorial Staff of the Pluma.Net

It is specified that our columnist has been French-Venezuelan for 52 years. At our request for a balance of 2021, he limited himself to presenting facts and realities, without going into details that have been commented on by analysts of various trends in the different media.

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