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**Distinguished Heads of Delegation,  
Ministers, Ambassadors,  
Mr. President,**

1. Over the past few days, we have heard two narratives in this General Assembly: one, the discourse of the oligarchs and their satellites, who seek to rule the world, and, the other, that of the dignified peoples, who fight for their sovereignty and independence.
2. The oligarchs, led by the government of the United States of America, are attacking the Charter of the United Nations to destroy this Organization, from both outside and within, and have nearly achieved this already. To this end, they promote the involvement of private corporations, non-governmental organizations, and other strategies that disregard the sovereignty of States. They have called this a “rules-based order”.
3. Not satisfied with this, the oligarchies resort to political expressions that we thought we had already overcome, such as fascism and Nazism. These political currents of imposition and domination promote white supremacy, racism, xenophobia and other manifestations, normalized with the support of large

international media monopolies and social networks, which are at the service of imperialism and neo-colonialism, ultimately supporting their plans to create tensions, fabricate conflicts and confront the peoples.

4. As we speak in this Assembly, bombs are being dropped on Gaza, where Israel has murdered tens of thousands of innocent girls, boys, women and men, with the complicity of the governments of the United States of America and the European Union. The greatest crime of extermination and genocide since the one committed by Hitler in the Second World War is currently being perpetrated. Today, they intend to export their hatred and destruction to an entire region, bombing and murdering innocent people in Lebanon and Syria, as they try to destabilize the Islamic Republic of Iran. This is a real threat to both humanity and world peace.
5. A new form of terrorism has been applied to Lebanon, with the complicity of private companies that manage the supply chains of mass consumer technologies. It sets a severe precedent, putting global security at risk. They also bomb civilian infrastructure in that brotherly country, killing innocent people, just as they do in Gaza. Israel has truly become a death machine that must be stopped immediately.
6. Instead of stopping the massacre and bringing those responsible to justice, those most powerful insist on expanding the war to Europe and other parts of the world, through military blocs such as NATO. After the defeat of Ukraine in their Nazi adventure, they now intend to bring war and terrorism to Great Russia, which, as history has taught us, will always be victorious.
7. NATO's expansion also threatens peace in South America with the installation of military bases, with the complicity of the lackey governments of Argentina and Ecuador.
8. Hate speeches stimulate and promote terrorism in its various manifestations. For instance, from the very territory of the United States of America, attacks, assassination attempts, destabilization and aggression against sovereign peoples, such as Venezuela, are continuously planned. To this end, they have resorted to the use of information and communication technologies, especially social networks, controlled by the empire's front men, who fabricate psychological wars aimed at exploiting feelings of hatred and destruction, without control of any sort.

9. In addition to this, there are cyberattacks on critical infrastructure, including vital utilities, banking, oil, and electoral systems, as happened in my country on 28 July.

**Mr. President,**

10. How can progress be achieved on peace and security issues when the United States of America, whose government insists on providing a framework of impunity for violators of international law, hijacks the body responsible for maintaining peace and security?
11. From this rostrum, we reiterate our unwavering solidarity with the brotherly Palestinian people, whom we support with determination in their just cause and in all efforts aimed at preserving a clear political horizon, which preserves the viability of the two-State solution, based on the pre-1967 borders. We welcome the fact that, for the first time in the history of this Assembly, the delegation of Palestine sits with us as another State. Today, more than ever, it is urgent that we ensure their immediate full membership in this Organization.
12. We also ask, how can the decolonization agenda be concluded if we insist on preserving a *status quo* that only benefits the Occupying and Administering Powers?
13. Our solidarity and strong support go out to all peoples who are fighting for their inalienable right to self-determination, to achieve full independence and to be true masters of their destiny, their lands and their resources. It is time that the yearnings for freedom of our sisters and brothers in Western Sahara, Puerto Rico, New Caledonia, French Polynesia, Bonaire and so many other territories be finally realized.
14. Venezuela has a profound anti-colonial vocation, inherited from our independence struggle and the legacy of our Liberator Simon Bolívar. Therefore, we embrace with determination all these great causes, which we have historically assumed to be our own. We are determined to contribute to the end of colonialism in all its forms and manifestations.
15. Similarly, we will continue to demand the restitution of sovereignty rights over the Chagos Archipelago and the Malvinas Islands to their legitimate owners, the Republic of Mauritius and the Argentine Republic. Despite the betrayal of the ineffable Javier Milei to the Malvinas cause, the brotherly people of Argentina can

always count on Venezuela's solidarity and full support in this just and historical claim.

**Mr. President,**

16. Even today, the peoples of the world are still paying the price for the misfortunes left by the colonialism of empires such as the United Kingdom, which committed crimes on all continents and is now trying to erase from our memories with total impunity.
17. One of them, the harmful effect of which persists still to date, is the dispossession of Venezuela's sovereign rights over our Guayana Esequiba. This plunder, originated in the expansionist and violent policy exercised by the British Empire in Venezuelan territory throughout the 19th century, which sought to impose itself by fraudulent means in 1899, through an arbitration that was rigged between the powers of the time.
18. On 03 December 2023, the Venezuelan people expressed themselves clearly and decisively in a consultative referendum, granting an unavoidable mandate to the Venezuelan State to recover the Guayana Esequiba, a territory that represents a sacred inheritance of the struggle of our Liberators.
19. In that referendum, the Venezuelan people ratified the historic position of our country of never recognizing the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in this case, nor any decision it may adopt on this matter.
20. The President of Guyana has lied in this tribune on this aspect. Venezuela only recognizes the Geneva Agreement of 1966 as the only way to reach a settlement that restores Venezuela's rights over the territory of the Guayana Esequiba.
21. Today, the United States of America and Guyana are in violation of the Joint Declaration of Argyle, threatening regional peace, security and stability, through the military presence of extra-regional actors and the illegitimate granting of oil concessions in an un-demarcated maritime area.
22. In this context, we take this opportunity to reiterate our firm commitment to the CELAC Proclamation of Latin America and the Caribbean as a Zone of Peace. It is time for Guyana to demonstrate its commitment to that Proclamation, to dialogue, mutual respect, tolerance and understanding, thus returning to the Geneva Agreement of 1966.

**Mr. President,**

23. The illegal imposition of unilateral coercive measures against entire peoples by the United States of America and the European Union represents a flagrant violation of the Charter of the United Nations and every norm of international law. These measures constitute massive violations of human rights, including the right to development, as well as crimes against humanity.
24. We reiterate our call for the complete, immediate and unconditional lifting of all the regimes of so-called sanctions and blockades that today are enforced against more than a third of humanity, including thirty (30) million Venezuelans. Our solidarity with our sisters and brothers in Belarus, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Cuba, Eritrea, Iran, Nicaragua, Syria, Zimbabwe, and so many others who suffer the effects of these criminal policies on a daily basis.

**Mr. President,**

25. Dignified peoples fighting for their sovereignty and independence have also raised their voices in these spaces and must be heard.
26. Venezuela today faces the onslaught of new forms of colonialism. For several years now, the government in Washington has been carrying out a neo-colonial experiment that aims to destroy our democratic system, our institutions, our sovereignty, our independence and the inalienable right of our people to self-determination in every possible way.
27. This is a large-scale recolonization plan that attempts, based on a continued coup d'état, to destroy our Republic. For its execution, all options have been and continue to be on the table.
28. Since the cruel and inhuman enforcement of a ferocious economic, commercial and financial blockade, with almost a thousand sanctions, which have cost our nation more than 642 billion dollars in the last seven years alone; to which we must add the losses of our State oil company, PDVSA, amounting to 232 billion dollars; and the theft of 31 tons of gold deposited in the Bank of England, as well as of other important assets owned by the Republic abroad; not to mention the theft by Argentina and the Dominican Republic of aircrafts in the service of the Venezuelan State.

29. Venezuela is *not* the only one affected by this interventionism, deeply rooted in the colonialist tradition of the Monroe Doctrine, which continues to stalk any expression of political independence in our continent, as in the case of brave Cuba and blessed and always free Nicaragua. They also promote coups d'état, as in Bolivia in 2019 and 2024, and they mercilessly attack, with the support of local oligarchies, the government of President Gustavo Petro, in Colombia, and that of President Xiomara Castro of Honduras. Our firm support and unwavering solidarity with them as well.

**Mr. President,**

30. On 28 July, as is customary in our revolutionary democracy, the Venezuelan people expressed themselves in a conscious, peaceful and massive manner to elect, with full guarantees, transparency and freedom, the Venezuelan Head of State and Government for the 2025-2031 term. President Nicolás Maduro was re-elected with a clear and overwhelming support.

31. After this great popular victory, the oligarchy of my country resorted, once again, to the disregard of laws and institutions, triggering a criminal violence that left 27 dead, hundreds wounded, and the destruction of public and private property. With the use of criminal gangs, they set up barricades, burned schools, hospitals and public institutions, and assassinated ordinary citizens for their political affiliations.

32. None of this will be reported in the mainstream media. Worse still, neither does the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, who, despite having received all the information about these criminal acts and the responsible actions deployed by the Venezuelan State, has preferred to turn the victims into perpetrators and the perpetrators into victims.

33. Over the last two days, this fascist and disinformation campaign against our country has been fed from this rostrum. The government of the United States of America and its satellite and servile governments have dedicated themselves to lying, attacking and threatening our people from this place, which is a symbol of peace and understanding, trying to impose a false narrative.

34. But here we come, once again, to present the truth about Venezuela and our people; today, we come to unmask all these phonies.

**Mr. President,**

35. At the forefront of this gigantic operation is, as usual, the government of the United States of America and its agencies, as part of its failed policy of continued coup d'état against the Bolivarian Revolution of Venezuela, which began more than 25 years ago.
36. From their territory, specifically from the State of Florida, terrorist attacks against public officials and public facilities are planned. They also use social networks with impunity and full support from the White House to promote mercenary incursions, as already happened in May 2020.
37. Although Washington denies involvement, this time, they were caught *red-handed*. Investigations into the latest aggression plots have shown that several U.S. and European mercenaries, including an active U.S. military officer specializing in terrorist and destabilization operations, were behind the post-electoral violence.
38. These criminals have confessed that they intended to assassinate President Nicolás Maduro, the Executive Vice-President and several other senior Venezuelan State officials, as well as attacking critical infrastructure services, such as water and electricity. We inform you that *all* have been arrested, including two people linked to Spain's National Intelligence Centre (CNI, in Spanish). More than 400 rifles of different types have also been seized, some of them produced for the exclusive use of the U.S. Armed Forces.
39. In the coming weeks our government will present additional and much stronger evidence of what happened, which we are certain will shock the world.

**Mr. President,**

40. An additional phase of this criminal plan of aggression has been developed in recent days through another group of mercenaries who opened a website in this country to raise funds to attack Venezuela and carry out assassinations openly. This initiative has the public backing of U.S. government agencies, U.S. Congress members, and senators. The hypocritical oligarchic narrative *does not* condemn such an aberration.
41. In this context, it is worth to underline the obligation of States to ensure that their territory is *not* used to finance, plan, facilitate or commit acts of destabilization,

through the use of mercenaries and terrorists, and, in this sense, we demand that the U.S. government comply with its international obligations on this subject.

42. We also have to emphasize that these terrorist plots, planned for months, took place at the very same time as the negotiations and the signing of agreements between Venezuela and the United States of America in Doha, in September last year, through which we sought to move towards a normalization phase of relations between the two nations. This is further proof that the empire's word and supposed goodwill *cannot* be trusted.
43. The Venezuelan people demand the immediate fulfilment of the commitments agreed in Doha to lift *all* unilateral coercive measures that illegally weigh on our country today, and we thank the government of the State of Qatar for its good offices as facilitator of these negotiations.
44. Furthermore, and we have to say so, all this is also happening while the government of the United States of America, which promotes and finances criminal actions around the world, includes Cuba, without any basis whatsoever, in a spurious list of countries allegedly accused of sponsoring terrorism. We also demand an end to this attack against the homeland of Martí and Fidel, which further deepens the impact of the blockade.

**Mr. President,**

45. This new aggression against Venezuela, that is still in full swing, will have exactly the same destiny as all the previous ones: a resounding failure.
46. Despite the psychological operations aimed at creating confusion, despite Washington's overt and covert operations within the framework of a so-called "maximum pressure" policy, social peace reigns in Venezuela today. The plans to generate violence have been defeated, thanks to the determination of our people to defend their right to live in peace.
47. Moreover, Venezuela has experienced growth today that has allowed it to insert itself strongly into the world economic dynamic, contributing its strengths to the production of energy, food, and basic goods and services. This epic has been possible thanks to the determination of the Venezuelan people and the firm leadership that has managed to confront the blockade.



**Mr. President,**

48. Amid this juncture, our call to the free and peace-loving peoples of the world is to strengthen unity in the face of those who want to divide us, in order to achieve their plans of neocolonial domination. It is time for the Global South; it is time for that longed-for New World Order; it is time to consolidate this new pluripolar and multicentric world of peace and economic prosperity, free of hegemonies; it is time to rescue the founding principles contained in the UN Charter, and to honor the promise that this Organization is at the service of "We the peoples", as stated in its preamble.

49. Venezuela puts its Bolivarian Diplomacy of Peace at the service of humanity to advance in that direction, as demonstrated by its leadership at the head of the "Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations".

50. These are the principles that constitute the narrative of free peoples, which are expressed in new forms of partnership based on the principles of solidarity and complementarity, such as the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (ALBA-TCP), the BRICS and other hopeful horizons of the emerging new world order, in which our country continues to insert itself at an accelerated pace.

**Mr. President,**

51. Let me conclude by emphasizing that, in Venezuela, we are still on our feet, waging battles, hand in hand with our people, in permanent popular organization and mobilization, and in the struggle to continue consolidating our independence.

52. No matter who is the head of the U.S. imperialism that speaks before this rostrum in a year' time, rest assured that the clear and rebellious voice of the people of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela will continue to be present in this forum under the firm leadership of President Nicolás Maduro Moros, as we stand determined to resist U.S. imperialism.

53. With Bolívar we say: "God grants victory to constancy"!

I thank you, Mr. President.