

Resolution on the current situation in Venezuela

Whereas:

- The regime of Nicolás Maduro is a cruel and merciless tyranny that oppresses its own people, that with its policies has created an unprecedented humanitarian crisis, and that has forced the exodus of six million Venezuelans.
- The regime of Nicolás Maduro murders, tortures, imprisons and fiercely persecutes dissidents, for which he has been formally accused by several nations before the International Criminal Court for crimes against humanity, and has been the subject of a special analysis by the UN Human Rights Committee.
- The regime of Nicolás Maduro has turned Venezuela into a drug-trafficking, terrorist and corrupt state, where the ELN, the FARC, Hezbollah, the Cartel of the Suns and other criminal groups expand their operations to the rest of the region, which is a threat to peace, stability and security in the hemisphere.
- The regime of Nicolás Maduro seeks to remain in power through all kinds of unconstitutional manoeuvres, including the seizing of public powers and electoral fraud, as evidenced in the fraudulent elections of December 6.
- The Centrist Democrat International (IDC-CDI) hereby:
- Declares the regime of Nicolás Maduro a serious threat to the Western Hemisphere.
- Commits to articulate the efforts of democratic nations, as well as the institutions responsible for ensuring justice, to submit the regime of Nicolás Maduro to international courts, within the framework of the Palermo Convention against international organised crime.
- Ratifies the recognition as legitimate to the National Assembly elected in 2015 and its constitutional mandate to represent the sovereignty of the Venezuelan people and Juan Guaidó as president in charge of the interim government of Venezuela. Warns the regime of Nicolás Maduro that there will be serious consequences if it goes so far as to violate the integrity of President Guaidó.
- Remains attentive to developments in the defense of democracy, human rights, freedom of expression and political guarantees in Venezuela.