

Letter of Complaint to the US Embassy in Belgium

To the attention of:
US Embassy in Belgium
President of the United States, Donald J. Trump
Secretary of State, Marco Rubio

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United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Volker Türk
International Court of Justice
President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen
President of the European Parliament, Roberta Metsola

Date: 20 March 2026

Subject: Report of violations of international law: attacks, kidnappings and economic blockades against Venezuela and Cuba

Distinguished authorities,

Committed to peace, justice and the sovereignty of peoples, we hereby **Walter Baier** (President of the Party of the European Left) and **Maite Mola** (Head of the EL International Relations), express our strongest condemnation and deep concern over the interventionist and aggressive policies that your government continues to implement against the sister nations of Venezuela and Cuba.

LEGAL BASIS

The actions we denounce constitute flagrant violations of international law, specifically:

Charter of the United Nations:

- Article 2.1: Principle of sovereign equality of States
- Article 2.4: Prohibition of the use of force and the threat of force
- Article 2.7: Prohibition of intervention in matters within the domestic jurisdiction of States

Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations (1961):

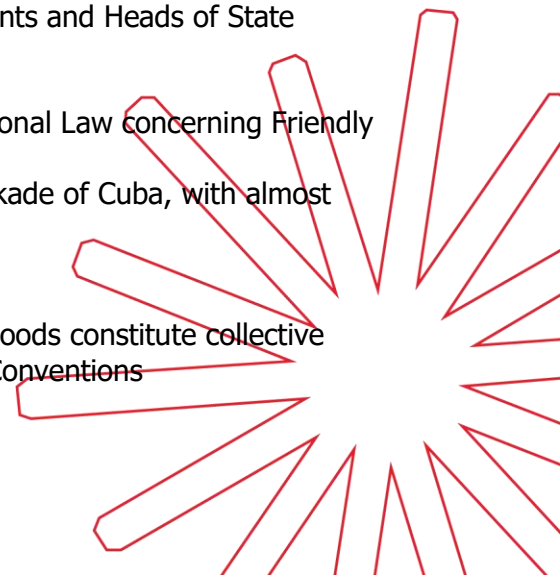
- Articles 29, 31 and 37: Personal inviolability of diplomatic agents and Heads of State

UN General Assembly Resolutions:

- Resolution 2625 (XXV): "Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Cooperation among States"
- 32 consecutive resolutions (1992-2024) condemning the blockade of Cuba, with almost unanimous support from the international community

International humanitarian law:

- Sanctions that affect access to food, medicine and essential goods constitute collective punishment prohibited by Additional Protocol I to the Geneva Conventions



SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS

1. Economic blockade against Cuba

The economic, financial and commercial blockade against Cuba, maintained for more than six decades and recently intensified by the executive order issued by your administration in January 2026, constitutes:

- An act of economic warfare and continued aggression
- A massive and systematic violation of the human rights of the Cuban people
- A crime against humanity as defined by the International Criminal Court
- A violation of the right to development and self-determination

The new executive order further exacerbates this criminal situation, tightening restrictions on financial transactions, family remittances and trade, directly affecting the Cuban civilian population's access to food, medicine and basic necessities.

2. Unilateral and illegal coercive measures against Venezuela

The more than 930 unilateral sanctions imposed against Venezuela constitute:

- Illegal coercive measures under international law
- A violation of Article 2.4 of the UN Charter (threat to territorial integrity and political independence)
- Crimes against humanity due to their effects on the civilian population
- Deliberate obstruction of access to medicines (violation of the right to health, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights)

According to reports by UN special rapporteurs, these sanctions have caused more than 100,000 deaths due to a lack of access to medicines and food.

3. Military intervention on 3 January 2026 and kidnapping of President Nicolás Maduro

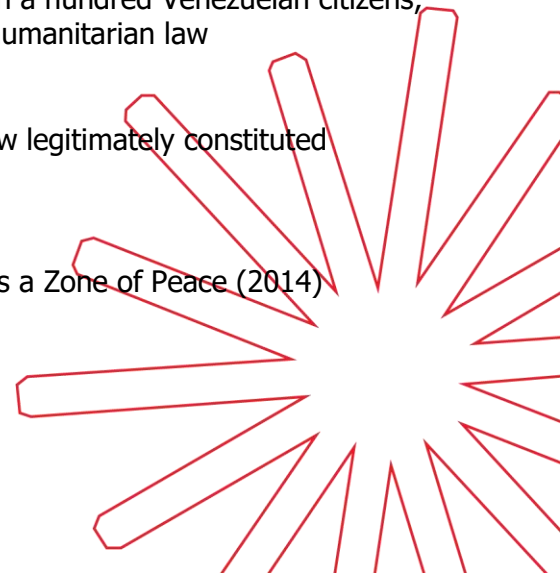
We denounce and condemn:

- The illegal military intervention of 3 January 2026 in Venezuelan territory, constituting an act of aggression according to UN Resolution 3314
- The kidnapping and illegal detention of constitutional President Nicolás Maduro Moros and Deputy Cilia Flores, violating:
 - The immunity of Heads of State (customary international law)
 - The Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations
 - The principle of state sovereignty
 - The right of self-determination of the Venezuelan people
- Covert destabilization operations and the murder of more than a hundred Venezuelan citizens, constituting war crimes and serious violations of international humanitarian law

4. Systematic interference in internal affairs

Political, financial and logistical support for groups seeking to overthrow legitimately constituted governments violates:

- The principle of non-intervention (Art. 2.7 UN Charter)
- Resolution 2625 on friendly relations between States
- The CELAC Declaration on Latin America and the Caribbean as a Zone of Peace (2014)



REQUIREMENTS BASED ON INTERNATIONAL LAW

By virtue of the obligations that your country has assumed as a Member State of the United Nations and signatory to international treaties, WE DEMAND:

- 1.** The immediate and unconditional lifting of the economic, commercial and financial blockade against Cuba, including the revocation of the recent executive order of January 2026, in compliance with the 32 resolutions of the UN General Assembly.
- 2.** The immediate cessation of all illegal sanctions and unilateral coercive measures against Venezuela, in accordance with international law and the UN Charter.
- 3.** The immediate and unconditional release of Constitutional President Nicolás Maduro Moros and Deputy Cilia Flores, respecting their immunity as Head of State and legitimate authority, as established by international law.
- 4.** An end to all military intervention and covert operations in Venezuelan territory, in compliance with Article 2.4 of the UN Charter.
- 5.** The cessation of all interference in the internal affairs of Venezuela, Cuba and any other country in Latin America and the Caribbean, respecting the principle of self-determination of peoples.
- 6.** Absolute respect for international law and the principles of national sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-intervention enshrined in the United Nations Charter.
- 7.** The recognition and effective respect of Latin America and the Caribbean as a Zone of Peace, as proclaimed by CELAC in 2014, rejecting the use of force and any coercive measures in the region.
- 8.** Reparations for the damage caused to the peoples of Venezuela and Cuba as a result of these illegal policies.

CONCLUSION

The policies we denounce not only systematically violate international law, but also constitute a serious threat to international peace and security. Your government has a legal and moral obligation to cease these criminal actions.

We warn that these flagrant violations of international law will not remain without consequence in the judgment of history and the international community. The undersigned organizations, together with social movements around the world, will remain vigilant and mobilized until these policies of aggression cease.

Peace, justice and respect for sovereignty are non-negotiable. We demand immediate compliance with the international obligations undertaken by your country.

Yours sincerely,

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