



The General Assembly

Draft Resolution on the Topic of the Venezuelan Refugee Crisis

Sponsors: Cuba, China, The Russian Federation, Syria,

Signatories: Armenia, Bolivia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, El Salvador, Guatemala, Iran, Jamaica, Japan, Nicaragua, Qatar, Singapore, Fiji, Panama, Hungary, Uruguay, Nicaragua

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Noting with deep concern the severity of the current humanitarian crisis in Venezuela,

Recognizing the need for a strong sovereign government,

Reminding the international community of the sovereignty and independence of every nation,

Recalling the right to self-determination of all nations,

Deeply concerned about the crippling consequences of US and EU sanctions on the Venezuelan economy,

Observing with concern the attempts to undermine and topple the government of President Nicolás Maduro,

Reaffirming the Declaration on the Right to Development, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/128 of 4 December 1986, which establishes that States have the duty to cooperate with each other in order to ensure development and eliminate obstacles restraining development,



Bearing in mind that more than 2.3 million citizens of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela have been forced to leave their country as a result of, inter alia, a political, economic, social and humanitarian crisis,

Recalling the document A/HRC/WG.6/26/VEN/1, which proposes a series of measures to solve the humanitarian crisis in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela,

Stating the need to incentivize Venezuelan nationals to stay in Venezuela,

1. *Urges* the creation of an ALBA-lead force of humanitarian experts and workers and diplomats that:

- a. help to implement the following operative clauses in collaboration with UN forces,
- b. establish talks with local NGOs,
- c. lead negotiations with the Venezuelan government and the United Nations,
- d. lead the distribution of international aid among the Venezuelan population,
- e. create a plan for the reincorporation of refugees, once this crisis has been dealt with,
- f. monitor the progress of humanitarian initiatives and report back to the General Assembly on the progression of the Venezuelan refugee crisis in collaboration with the High Commissioner for Refugees,
- g. Supervise the distribution of temporary visas in order to prevent financial exploitation of refugees in accordance with oc 5;

2. *Invites* the international community to send humanitarian aid to Venezuela, in accordance with oc 1 subclause d, including, but not limited to:

- a. financial aid,
- b. humanitarian aid such as food, shelter and clothes,
- c. aid in terms of know-how;

3. *Strongly recommends* nations imposing sanctions on Venezuela to refrain from these actions in accordance with the resolutions HRC/39/2 on “Promotion and protection of human rights in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela” and HCR/37/2 on “Human rights and unilateral coercive measures”;

4. *Calls upon* all member states to lift all sanctions currently in effect against Venezuela, including, but not limited to:

- a. the freezing of financial assets,
- b. sanctions on trade and financial transactions,



c. travel bans on Venezuelan citizens;

5. *Emphasizes the need* to establish refugee camps in neighbouring countries that have the necessary economic capabilities, namely Brazil and Colombia, to deal with the immediate flow of refugees from Venezuela;

6. *Recommends* reintegrating Venezuela into international trade structures to restore economic stability through measures including, but not limited to:

- a. restoring bilateral trade relations,
- b. restoring multilateral trade treaties,
- c. foreign direct investments;

7. *Calls on* the member states to cease supporting and encouraging illegal rebel factions and subversive elements within Venezuela;

8. *Urges* the international community to consider contributing to a joint investment fund focused on supporting economic growth in the country and the Venezuelan market by investing in the following priority areas:

- a. Infrastructure,
- b. Industrial sector,
- c. Education and human capital;

9. *Recommends* that member states create and foster a safe environment in which the government of Venezuela is able to restore civil society and establish further beneficial democratic institutions, in addition to those that already exist, without foreign involvement or fear of punitive actions, after the crisis has ended.