

Messages to Daniel Ortega and FSLN following election victory on 7 November

The Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (ALBA-TCP) has welcomed the re-election of President Daniel Ortega and Vice President Rosario Murillo, and congratulated the legislators elected to the National Assembly and the Central American Parliament (PARLACEN). In addition, Alba Secretary General Sacha Llorent has reiterated Alba's solidarity and support for the people and Government of Nicaragua and has condemned US sanctions against Nicaragua.

"The ALBA-TCP reaffirms its rejection of all unilateral coercive measures that violate international law against sovereign states that affect their ability to respond to contemporary threats and challenges"

Alba has also emphasized that the Nicaraguan people taught a new lesson of democracy and civic mindedness when they actively participated in the elections and freely elected their representatives, despite pressures and interfering threats. The Alliance also recognized the vast economic, social and political achievements made by the Sandinista Revolution, which have allowed strengthening better conditions for the progress of Nicaragua, the communiqué concluded.

The Executive Secretariat of the São Paulo Forum has also welcomed the elections, stating that the re-election of Daniel Ortega and Rosario Murillo reaffirms the desire of the population for the continuity of the FSLN government, which has worked successfully for the Nicaraguan people and the reconstruction of the country, despite attempts at internal and external destabilization.

"Together. we will resist against foreign interference in our countries to build a Latin America and the Caribbean of peace and social justice" – statement by São Paulo Forum

Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel Bermúdez has sent warm congratulations to Daniel Ortega and Rosario Murillo on their election victory stating that ***"The occasion is propitious to ratify the solidarity and revolutionary support to the Nicaraguan people and government that bravely maintain their social project in spite of the imperialist attacks"*** and reiterating

"Cuba's unwavering will to continue developing the brotherhood between our heroic peoples".

The Brazilian Workers Party (PT) has issued a statement saluting the Nicaraguan elections, ***"as a great popular and democratic manifestation in our brother country' and noting that that the Sandinistas won 'despite many attempts to destabilize the government and a blockade against Nicaragua... which mostly hurts the poorest and neediest"***. They have added that ***"We hope to continue with the FSLN on this path of building a free and sovereign Latin America and Caribbean, a region of peace and social democracy that can serve as an example to the whole world"***.

Bolivia and Venezuela have also issued statements congratulating the FSLN and Daniel Ortega on their election victory. The Bolivian government states that ***"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs salutes the brotherly Nicaraguan people for their participation and democratic vocation in the electoral process that took place this Sunday, November 7, 2021. We are certain that with the majority participation and respect for the popular vote, democracy is strengthened, as a full exercise of the sovereignty of the people"***.

Nicolas Maduro of Venezuela states that ***"Peace Triumphed in Nicaragua! The Nicaraguan people have given the world a resounding lesson in democracy. Honouring its heroic Sandinista heritage, which granted, through the vote, a great victory to the FSLN. Viva Sandino! Viva Nicaragua! Viva Comandante Daniel!"***. Venezuela has also strongly condemned the enactment by President Biden of the RENACER Act, referring to the Act as ***"a terrorist instrument that threatens the peace and welfare of the Nicaraguan people, and that undoubtedly harms the respect for international law that ensures coexistence between countries"***.