

Britain and Canada Involved in Foiled US Venezuelan Coup Plot

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Britain and Canada were co-conspirators in the latest plot to topple Venezuela's government.

TeleSUR provided detailed coverage of Washington's war on Venezuelan democracy. Its dirty hands manipulate violence and instability worldwide.

US funded and supported key opposition fascist figures Antonio Ledezma, Maria Corina Machado and Leopoldo Lopez released a joint February 11 communique a day before the foiled coup.

Titled "A Call on Venezuelans for a National Accord for the Transition," it promoted regime change. Called for Venezuela to be handed back to monied interests.

Called Bolivarian fairness "anti-democra(tic)...inefficient and... corrupt." Run by "an unscrupulous elite (making) the State totalitarian." Creating "a humanitarian crisis."

"(T)he Maduro government has entered a terminal phase." Claimed it's "the duty of every democrat to help resolve the current crisis, to defend freedom...to make the transition...(to restore) democratic order."

Ledezma, Marhado and Lopez want Maduro's government violently overthrown, democracy crushed.

Washington, Britain and Canada hatched the latest plot to return Venezuela to its bad old days. TeleSUR reported new details.

"Fresh evidence" showing their involvement, saying:

"Many of the individuals being charged, included a military general – whom has confessed to participating in the plans – and a retired lieutenant colonel – have indicated you (fascist Justice Party president Julio Borges) as being a key participant in meetings, which resulted in the decision to carry out a series of bombing attacks as a part of the coup, targeting the Presidential Palace, the National Assembly," key ministries, TeleSUR's offices, and other Caracas sites.

Venezuelan authorities identified US embassy personnel involved. So were a Royal Canadian Mounted Police official and UK diplomatic core member, according to National Assembly President Diosdado Cabello.

They sought information on airport capabilities in case needed in an emergency.

Computers seized had detailed coup plans, including maps showing targets to be bombed.

A video showed military officials announcing Maduro's government no longer was recognized. It was scheduled to be aired after planned bombings were launched. Either by a Venezuelan or Miami TV station.

Cabello showed a 10-year visa given to one of the plotters days ahead of the planned coup.

He noted Obama's recent statement about "American leadership at times entail(ing) twisting the arms of states which don't do what we need them to do."

He said coup plotters planned to topple Venezuela's government forcefully on the anniversary of US-manipulated 2014 street violence.

Killing 43. Injuring hundreds. Causing billions of dollars in physical and economic damage.

US planned, funded, implemented and directed economic, political, and street warfare continues to topple the hemisphere's most vibrant democracy.

On Saturday, Maduro addressed Venezuelans a second time on national television. Following up on his Thursday coup plot revelations.

Explaining more details of Washington's scheme to oust him forcefully. "Almost all (opposition) leaders knew about this plan, this ambush, almost all of them, including the four-time losing candidate," Maduro explained.

Referring to Henrique Capriles Radonski. One of many Venezuelan fascists wanting power back the old-fashioned way.

"I'm not saying all of them were actively involved," Maduro said. "But it was a rumor circulating amongst them, that something was about to happen.

Figures arrested confessed to the plot, Maduro explained. They provided more evidence of Washington's scheme.

It involved enlisting Venezuelan political and military officials. Bribing them with large cash payments. America's Caracas embassy was coup plot headquarters.

Maduro called on Obama to stop interfering in Venezuelan affairs, saying:

"In your name, they are organizing coup plots against (Venezuela's) democratically elected government..."

Bolivian President Evo Morales expressed solidarity with Maduro saying "(w)e all have the obligation to enforce respect for democracy and elections, and if we have a clear conscious, not even the empire can defeat us."

Maduro received numerous other messages of support. Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega condemned the "criminal and futile attempts of the empire to undermine the Bolivarian Revolution."

From Mexico City, the Network of Intellectuals, Artists and Social Movements in Defense of

Humanity expressed solidarity in an official statement. It condemned plans to topple Venezuela's government.

TeleSUR reported civil and political organizations worldwide expressing solidarity with Venezuela.

Union of South American Nations (UNASUR) Secretary General Ernesto Samper denounced plans to oust Maduro.

Venezuelan opposition spokesman Jesus Torrealba lied saying "(t)he government makes up these stories about coups to avoid talking about how the country is breaking down."

State Department spokeswoman Jen Psaki lied calling accusations about Washington plotting Maduro's ouster "ridiculous."

She absurdly added:

"(T)he United States does not support political transitions by non-constitutional means."

"Political transitions must be democratic, constitutional, peaceful, and legal."

"We have seen many times that the Venezuelan Government tries to distract from its own actions by blaming the United States or other members of the international community for events inside Venezuela. These efforts reflect a lack of seriousness on the part of the Venezuelan Government to deal with the grave situation it faces."

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