

# Joe Biden Stands for Same Grotesque and Brutal Policies Against Venezuela, Shows Just How Little They Actually Care for People

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*Venezuelan non-president, Juan Guaido, is back in headlines after the new US Secretary of State Antony Blinken called him to discuss America’s favorite talking points: “a return to democracy” via “free and fair elections.”*

I’m sure the irony will not be lost on those who question the legitimacy of the US election that saw Biden take power.

Anyway, you would have to have been offline or in a coma for the past couple of years to not be aware of some key facts about ‘interim president’ Guaido and US “concern” for Venezuelans.

Venezuelans didn’t vote for Guaido to be president, he [hasn’t even](#) stood for president. Venezuelans voted for Maduro. America can huff and puff and whine, but that won’t change the reality.

Today Venezuelan Interim President [@jguaido](#) and I discussed our unwavering support for democracy in Venezuela and our efforts to improve the lives of the Venezuelan people.

— Secretary Antony Blinken (@SecBlinken) [March 3, 2021](#)

Guaido named himself ‘interim president’, to the support of only roughly 50 countries – leaving a glaring nearly 150 countries not recognizing this Western-groomed stooge as Venezuela’s leader.

Further, Guaido not only isn’t president of the country, he is [no longer](#) president of the National Assembly. As a result, recently, even [the EU dropped](#) its [recognition](#) of Guaido as interim president. He is a Western-groomed thug [who](#) fully backs America’s aggression and sanctions against his own country.

Venezuela’s election process has been recognized as transparent and effective, with former

US President Jimmy Carter in 2012 [calling it](#) “*the best in the world.*” On the other hand, Venezuelan opposition, as well as Western nations, have [interfered with](#) and attempted to sabotage elections.

As for America’s grave “*concern*” for Venezuelans, the US in February 2019 staged a “*humanitarian aid*” delivery via Colombia (“aid” which [contained nails and wire](#), likely meant for opposition [barricades](#)), blaming Maduro for “*burning food & medicine,*” when [in fact](#) the trucks were burned by “*opposition*” supporters. That same month, President Trump [threatened](#) military intervention against Venezuela.

The US allegedly [sabotaged](#) Venezuela’s power grid in March 2019 (and then blamed the Maduro government for the power failure).

And two former US Special Forces soldiers were in May 2020 arrested [in a failed invasion](#) (with the goal of capturing Maduro) which allegedly [the Trump administration](#) and [Guaido himself](#) were involved in.

President Maduro blamed the August 2018 [drone assassination attempt](#) on Colombia and elements in the US. The US was also [linked](#) to the kidnapping and coup against former Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez.

But aside from those and many other provocations against Venezuela, it is the [brutal sanctions](#) against the country that is a clear indicator of just how little America cares for the people.

As many have already surmised, the Biden administration is [a continuation of](#) the previous admin’s policies, and Blinken is the new Pompeo. They even sound the same.

- Blinken [to Ukraine’s foreign minister](#): “*unwavering support for Ukraine’s sovereignty and territorial integrity,*” “*Russian aggression...*”
- Pompeo [to the same](#): “*support for [#Ukraine](#)’s sovereignty and territorial integrity is ironclad,*” “*Russia and its proxies’ intransigence, aggressive actions...*”
- Blinken [on Crimea](#): “*Russia’s invasion and seizure,*” “*we call on Russia to end its occupation,*” “[#CrimeaisUkraine](#)” (newsflash: it’s not, and there was no invasion).
- Pompeo [on the same](#): “[#Crimea](#) is [#Ukraine](#),” “*We call on Russia to end its occupation of Crimea.*”

And of course, their American speak on Guaido is also the same, with both [Blinken](#) and [Pompeo](#) feigning concern for the lives of the Venezuelan people.

Flogging a dead horse named Guaido

The guy just isn’t popular in Venezuela, not now, not back in early 2019 when America & allies tried to foist him onto Venezuelans.

When I traveled to Venezuela in March 2019, aside from documenting the lack of chaos that Western pundits and media insisted was ongoing at the time, I also tried to find evidence of the massive support the same pundits and media claimed Guaido had.

I had seen on various occasions [massive demonstrations](#) of solidarity with President Maduro, the man who average Venezuelans support, particularly impoverished indigenous and Afro-

Venezuelans who are conveniently ignored by Western media.

On March 30, I spent a good chunk of the day [riding around](#) on motorcycle taxi trying to find pro-Guaido protests which had been [advertised](#), instead at designated sites and times finding none, a trickle, or pro-Maduro protesters instead.

Later the same day, I saw [another massive](#) pro-Maduro demonstration.

In encounters with Venezuelans during my few weeks in Caracas, I met people who made clear they [didn't support](#) Guaido and what they were fighting for.

In a hilltop community, one such man [told me](#):

“We are poor people, but we are proud, we have dignity. We are fighting against Imperialism, against rich people that want our country, that want us as slaves, that want our oil, our water. But we will win.

The governments of the United States and other nations want to tell everybody that we are starving, we are dying in the streets, we are being oppressed by our government. But we've never been more free than now, in spite of all the problems we do have.”

He and others spoke of the extreme racism and discrimination Afro-Venezuelans and indigenous Venezuelans faced before Chavez came to power.

“Before, we were treated like nothing, we were treated only as workers, that was it. Say to your governments, this isn't a fight against Maduro, this is a fight against the people that are trying to be free.”

I won't even repeat some of the unbelievable racist slurs they were subject to.

Some months later, back in Ontario, I met Ronald Abache, an Afro-Venezuelan who attended a lecture I gave. During the question period, he was so articulate about racism in Venezuela, *“very alive, but hidden under class status,”* that I asked to record [his words](#).

“In 1999, for the first time ever in any country in South America, a law was passed to not discriminate against people of color. People that never had a voice now have one and will never give it up again. You can go to the remotest area in my country and everybody can read. Everybody knows their rights and knows that their voice counts.”

He also challenged the opposition to answer one question:

“What would they do different? What is their plan? If they're planning to go back to those great old days (sarcasm), the people are not having it. Two million militias, old people, young people, everybody knows what the United States is doing. My mother is 70, she's about to join the militia!”

These are just some of the people marginalized by Western media and politicians. The ones who claim concern for Venezuela.

As Mr. Abache noted, Venezuelans themselves aren't going to accept US hegemony, not only the leadership. I got a powerful sense of that in the demonstrations I observed and from the people I [spoke with](#).

The new Biden administration may want to pressure Venezuela into compliance, but the people won't accept that.

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