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The Communist Party of Bangladesh – Marxist-Leninist (CPBML) expresses its firm solidarity with the Venezuelan people—the workers, peasants, women, youth, and oppressed classes who are facing immense hardship amid a deep political and economic crisis that has been severely aggravated by imperialist aggression.

CPBML unequivocally condemns all forms of U.S. imperialist intervention in Venezuela, including economic sanctions, financial blockades, political coercion, regime-change operations, and repeated violations of national sovereignty. These actions are not motivated by concern for democracy or human rights; they are instruments of imperialist domination aimed at reasserting control over Venezuela's economy, natural resources, and geopolitical orientation. The sanctions, in particular, function as a form of collective punishment, worsening shortages, deepening poverty, and intensifying the suffering of ordinary people. History has consistently shown that imperialist interventions never serve the interests of popular classes; they destroy social gains, undermine sovereignty, and weaken independent mass struggles.

At the same time, CPBML's solidarity is not directed toward any government as such, but toward the Venezuelan people themselves. We recognise that large sections of the popular classes have become alienated from the Maduro government due to neoliberal economic adjustments, widespread corruption, bureaucratic degeneration, and the narrowing of democratic space. These realities cannot be denied, excused, or silenced in the name of anti-imperialism. Genuine solidarity requires political honesty and a clear recognition of popular grievances.

However, criticism of internal policies must be expressed with political responsibility and class clarity. It must not be allowed to serve imperialist agendas or to legitimise foreign intervention, sanctions, or externally imposed political solutions. The Venezuelan crisis cannot be resolved through economic strangulation, diplomatic diktats, or regime-change projects driven from outside. Such approaches only deepen social fragmentation, reinforce authoritarian tendencies, and undermine the capacity of working people to organise and struggle independently.

CPBML firmly upholds the principle that only the Venezuelan people themselves, free from external coercion and imperialist interference, have the right to determine their political future and paths of social transformation.

Democracy, social justice, and national sovereignty cannot be delivered by imperialist powers or by local elites aligned with them; they can only be achieved through mass participation, popular organisation, and class struggle from below.

At this critical moment, international solidarity must be people-centred, anti-imperialist, and politically independent. It must oppose imperialist aggression clearly and unequivocally, while refusing to provide uncritical support to policies that undermine popular interests. On this basis, the CPBML stands with the Venezuelan people in their struggle for dignity, sovereignty, democracy, and social justice.

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