

**Statement Japan AALA Solidarity Committee**

**Strongly condemn the U.S. attack on Venezuela and call for support and solidarity with the Venezuelan people fighting to defend their sovereignty.**

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On January 2, President Trump announced that the U.S. military had launched a military attack on Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, detained President Maduro and taken them out of the country.

We strongly condemn this brutal act of aggression that violates Venezuela's sovereignty and independence, and demand an immediate end to the attack and the release of the President.

The United States has deployed massive military forces off Venezuela's Caribbean coast, launching illegal military actions such as attacking ships under the pretext of drug-related offenses, killing over 110 people, and seizing multiple tankers. This has sparked international protests. Ignoring these voices, this attack is an outrageous act that blatantly tramples upon the UN Charter and international law, for which no excuse can be tolerated. Immediately after the attack began, President Maduro declared a state of emergency. The Venezuelan government issued a statement condemning the attack and called on the people to take to the streets to defend their independence from imperialist aggression. Venezuelan National Assembly President Cabello and Attorney General Sarb condemned the attack via broadcast, emphasized their readiness to fight, and called on the people to join the struggle. Citizens gathered near Miraflores (the presidential palace) in Caracas to condemn the attack, declaring, "If such an attack is tolerated, no country's citizens can have freedom or a future," and calling for international solidarity.

We respond to this call by denouncing the Trump administration's outrageous act and calling for solidarity actions with the Venezuelan citizens fighting back.

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