

THE VENEZUELAN DILEMMA

**TALK THE TALK OR WALK
THE WALK**

- VENEZUELA IS NOW IN RUINS.
- THE VENEZUELAN REGIME is A POLITICAL SATELLITE OF CUBA.
- THE COUNTRY HAS GONE FROM PETROSTATE TO NARCOSTATE WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE ARMED FORCES.
- THE CLOSING OF ALL DOORS TO ELECTIONS DUE THIS YEAR HAS GENERATED A STATE OF OPEN CIVIC REBELLION.

- A POPULAR REFERENDUM AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT WAS VOTED FAVORABLY BY 7 MILLION VENEZUELANAS.
- THE REGIME INSISTS IN GOING AHEAD WITH AN ILLEGAL CONSTITUENT.
- SOME ABROAD AND, EVEN, SOME VENEZUELANAS, HAVE BEEN *TALKING THE TALK BUT NOT WALKING THE WALK*

TALKING THE TALK : THE POPE, THE U.S
ADMINISTRATION, THE U.N. THE INTERNATIONAL
DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY

- THERE ARE GROUPS ASKING FOR AN “UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MADURO REGIME”.
- THE CURRENT VENEZUELAN DILEMMA IS: TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE REGIME OR TO CONTINUE IN REBELLION UNTIL THE REGIME COLLAPSES.
- FORTUNATELY LARGER COUNTRIES IN THE REGION, LED BY CANADA AND MEXICO, ARE NOW TAKING A MORE FORCEFUL STAND

- WHAT TO DO? GOVERNMENTS OF THE REGION SHOULD RETIRE DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION TO THE MADURO REGIME
- THE U.S. SHOULD APPLY SANCTIONS TO VENEZUELAN OIL
- EXTREME POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC PRESSURE SHOULD BE APPLIED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CUBA
- WHAT IS IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE? MADURO COULD RETIRE PROPOSAL FOR CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY AND CALL FOR A NEGOTIATION WITH THE OPPOSITION

IF HE PERSISTS IN HIS PLANS
NATIONAL STRIKE
A PARALLEL GOVERNMENT
REBELLION WILL CONTINUE.

VENEZUELANAS SEEM TO HAVE
DECIDED TO WALK THE WALK.
IT'S TIME FOR THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY
TO DO THE SAME.