

Psychopathic US Senator Openly Calls For Maduro To Suffer Gaddafi's Fate



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DEPENDS ON IT.

Editor's Note: Marco Rubio, one of the proud architects of the
current coup attempt against Venezuela once again proves he is
nothing but an abject reactionary gusano. Thank you for
nothing Florida, for sending this repulsive psychopath to
Congress.



[dropcap]I[/dropcap>nfluential US Senator and 2016 presidential candidate Marco Rubio [has tweeted](#) a blatant death threat and incitement of violence against Venezuelan president Nicolás Maduro. As of this writing the post has 13 thousand shares and counting.

The tweet consists of a “before” and “after” photo of former Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi, who in 2011 was [mutilated to death](#) in the streets following a US-led NATO intervention in Libya which was launched on [false humanitarian pretexts](#). The first photo depicts Gaddafi alive and confident with a smile on his face, the second depicts him covered in blood following his capture by a militia group minutes before his death.

pic.twitter.com/ZwxbWyV1HF

– Marco Rubio (@marcorubio) [February 24, 2019](#)

Senator Rubio has been Capitol Hill's single most virulent advocate of US interventionism in Venezuela, and has been tweeting about it constantly. Since Washington's [bogus](#) "humanitarian aid" delivery [sparked violence](#) on the borders of Columbia and Brazil, as it was intended to, Rubio has cranked his interventionist cheerleading up to eleven. The fact that Maduro would not allow a government that is openly staging a coup in Venezuela to hand a large unchecked delivery over to opposition factions within that very nation has been used to sell a narrative that Venezuela's [Evil Dictator](#) is deliberately cutting off aid to a needy populace, which was of course planned. This narrative has been helped along by [highly suspicious photo-friendly fires](#), and has been injected into mainstream consciousness with hysterical urgency by the likes of Rubio, [Bill](#) and [Hillary Clinton](#), [Dianne Feinstein](#), [Bernie Sanders](#), [Kamala Harris](#) and the entire [Trump administration](#). And it is completely false.

Firstly, Maduro is not refusing humanitarian aid for his people. Only an idiot would believe that the latest Official Bad Guy (who coincidentally happens to be sitting on top of the [largest oil reserves on earth](#)) is intentionally starving and depriving his people, and anyone who makes such claims should have to explain how they make that work in their minds. What's the idea behind that, exactly? Is he starving them all and cutting them off from medical supplies because he hates them? Is he trying to kill everyone in Venezuela so that he can have the entire country to himself? Does he have some strange sexual fetish for the slow starvation of an entire citizenry? How specifically does this work?

In reality, Maduro has been accepting aid from everywhere except from the government that is openly staging a coup in his country in gross violation of its national sovereignty. Just last week Caracas accepted [933 tons of food and medical supplies](#) from China, Cuba, India and Turkey, and Russia has shipped in 300 tons of aid on its own.

President Nicolás Maduro announced that 7.5 tons of medical aid arrived in Venezuela from Russia. <https://t.co/1jI60NL28v>

– José J. Martí (@JoseJuMarti) [February 21, 2019](#)

Secondly, the paltry \$20 million in food, medical and hygiene supplies sent via USAID pales in comparison to the [\\$30 million per day](#) the new US oil embargo will be costing Venezuelans this year. If the US wanted to help the Venezuelan people, the best thing it could do is end its [crushing economic warfare](#) upon them, which experts say has [made economic recovery all but impossible](#). Believing the CIA/CNN narrative that US sanctions only impact a nation's leadership is dumber than believing that US bombs only kill bad guys; former UN special rapporteur Alfred de Zayas [has said](#) that US-led sanctions are killing Venezuelans and could be tried under international law as crimes against humanity. The best way for the US to help Venezuelans would be to cease all interventionism and end its economic warfare upon them.

Thirdly, there's not actually anything stopping the US from giving the aid shipment it claims it wants to deliver to Russia, China, Turkey or India, for example, and having them deliver it. It could do the same with the UN or the Red Cross. There are many ways in which the US government which claims to care so much about the Venezuelan people could get its "humanitarian aid" to them which does not include highly provocative deliveries via military craft and aggressive stand-offs at Venezuelan border towns. The fact that Washington refuses to take those routes is an admission that the goal was always provocation and never humanitarianism.

Marco Rubio does not give a shit about the Venezuelan people.

Like all Capitol Hill war whores, he only cares about advancing the hegemony of the US-centralized empire. Rubio endorsed the overthrow of both [Gaddafi](#) and [Syria's Bashar al-Assad](#) in 2011; now half a million are dead in Syria as a result of the empire's failed [regime change intervention](#) there, and the "humanitarian intervention" in Libya created a [humanitarian catastrophe](#) where people are openly sold as slaves.

"I was just in Venezuela where I heard many people [voice fears](#) that the US wants to turn their country into another Libya," journalist [Aaron Maté reported](#) in response to Rubio's tweet. "I'd say their concerns are well-founded."

*What Rubio is threatening/celebrating: "A mob grew around Gaddafi as he was frog-marched through the sand. While he was taken towards a group of rebel trucks, one fighter crouched in the dirt behind the frightened captive and sodomised him with a bayonet." <https://t.co/2z4wcVWQvW>
<https://t.co/tvam9KWraV>*

– Glenn Greenwald (@ggreenwald) [February 24, 2019](#)

This is the face of the US regime change intervention in Venezuela, everyone. Donald Trump, John Bolton, Elliott Abrams, and a war pig senator who calls for the torturous lynching of the leader of a sovereign nation. Whenever someone supports any part of this coup agenda, this is the side that they are standing on. This is the flag that they are flying.

Everyone knows on some level that the US government has a consistent and indisputable track record of lying about the leaders of nations in geopolitically crucial strategic locations when they refuse to bow to the demands of US

interests. No matter how many Venezuelans you tell me you've talked to, how evil you tell me Maduro is, how awesome you tell me Trump is, or how bad you tell me socialism is, this will still be true. And you know that it is true. Stop compartmentalizing away from facts you know to be true and turn and face the reality of what's going on here.

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APPENDIX

Meanwhile, the US media continues its campaign of lies and innuendo. Here's another sample, by ABC News, one of America's three major TV networks. The sensationalist headlines proclaim:

**Humanitarian aid trucks crossing into Venezuela
'incinerated,'
military defections grow**

A human chain attempting to pass aid into Venezuela was broken up by tear gas.

(Such are the claims. But everything you see in this video has been staged and manipulated –"false flagged"–to support Washington's phony narrative. This is all part of the American information war on Venezuela, laying the foundation for all-out attacks to topple the legitimate government of Nicolas Maduro.)



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Parting shot—a word from the editors

The Best Definition of Donald Trump We Have Found



In his zeal to prove to his antagonists in the War Party that he is as bloodthirsty as their champion, Hillary Clinton, and more manly than Barack Obama, Trump seems to have gone “play-crazy” -- acting like an unpredictable maniac in order to terrorize the Russians into forcing some kind of dramatic concessions from their Syrian allies, or risk *Armageddon*. However, the “play-crazy” gambit can only work when the leader is, in real life, a disciplined and intelligent actor, who knows precisely what actual boundaries must not be crossed. That ain’t Donald Trump -- a pitifully shallow and ill-disciplined man, emotionally handicapped by obscene privilege and cognitively crippled by white American chauvinism. By pushing Trump into a corner and demanding that he display his most bellicose self, or be ceaselessly mocked as a “puppet” and minion of Russia, a lesser power, the War Party and its media and clandestine services have created a perfect storm of mayhem that may consume us all.— **Glen Ford, Editor in Chief, Black Agenda Report**
