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Attorney General Creates Office to Combat Terrorism and Kidnapping

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Through the *Official Gazette* No. 42,362 dated April 25, 2022, the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic of the Public Ministry issued Resolution No. 757 of April 5, 2022, (Resolution), through which the National Prosecutor's Office 99 was created, specializing in matters against terrorism and kidnapping, which will be attached to the Directorate Against Organized Crime. The Resolution provides that it will conserve the goods, furniture, supplies, and professional and administrative equipment of the Prosecutor's Office 119 of the Public Ministry of the Judicial District of the Metropolitan Area for its operation Caracas.

Per the considerations of the Resolution, the creation of the National Prosecutor's Office 99 responds to the need of the Public Ministry to strengthen the processes that contribute to achieving effective, accessible and social justice and a fairer society. Specifically, it seeks to strengthen the quality of the fight against terrorism and kidnapping at the national level as an effective and timely response to protect the social and democratic state of law and justice.

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