



National Assembly Supports Electoral Victory of Colombia President Gustavo Petro

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Through the *Official Gazette* No. 42,404 dated June 22, 2022, the National Assembly published the "Agreement in support of the electoral victory of citizen Gustavo Petro Urrego, as President of the Republic of Colombia and citizen Francia Márquez as Vice President" (Agreement). According to the National Assembly, the Agreement was issued considering the "urgent need to achieve peace" in Colombia and to guarantee the alliance between Venezuela and Colombia.

Through the Agreement, the National Assembly congratulated Petro and Márquez for being elected as president and vice president of Colombia, respectively. In terms of the Agreement, said electoral victory "radiates optimism in the sister nations."

In addition through the Agreement, the National Assembly ratified solidarity toward the Colombian people, as well as ratified all of the accompanying initiatives of President Petro that are oriented toward materializing the declaration of the Community of Latin American and the Caribbean States.

The National Assembly endorsed the validity of Simón Bolívar's ideal dated Dec. 7, 1824, when he convened the Amphictyonic Congress of Panama to build the necessary utopia of the unity of "Our America, which makes it necessary and urgent to return to the path of unity of our peoples through the hope of strengthening the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States."

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