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Bloque Constitucional - www.bloqueconstitucional.com

Barquisimeto will be the host to the first Diploma of Transitional Justice in Latin America



The need of starting formal studies on transitional justice –a mechanism for political transition to democracy– motivated a group of academicians and jurist to create a Diploma course named “Pedagogy of Democracy, Transition, and Human Rights”, which will take place at Center-Western University “Lisandro Alvarado”, in Barquisimeto, state of Lara; and will be supported by other Houses of Superior Studies in that entity: Yacambu and “Fermín Toro”.

Academical contents of the Diploma course are

oriented to principles of transitional justice, as well as those related to democracy, State structure, and the functions of State organisms. The program was shaped by specialists of diverse fields (lawyers, medical doctors, historians, sociologists, politologist). It may be taken by anyone interested, although the main objective is forming professionals in Law, who will have, among their functions, putting into practice this form to do justice: judges, prosecutors, investigators, and the rest of officials related with transitional justice.

“These judges” vision, with which they will face conflicts to be solved, has to be wide open, not only respecting Law and the facts themselves, but also for conciliating the victims’ interests and the responsibility of the offender. One must keep in mind that the first purpose of transitional justice is identifying the victim and the corresponding indemnification for the harm caused; obviously: without forgetting that another important purpose is sanctioning the offenders under investigation”, pointed out Jorge Rosell, a member of Bloque Constitucional de Venezuela and also of the Institute of Juridical Studies, who is one of the promoters of this academical program –a pioneer in Latin America.

Un Mundo Sin Mordaza - www.sinmordaza.org

#EstoEsTuyo waves goodbye, after three years of laughter and promotion of Human Rights

The stand up comedy #EstoEsTuyo waves goodbye, feeling satisfied for having formed new activists via entertainment, after a tour covering 31 universities nationwide, between 2016 and 2019. The humoristic workshop aimed at informing and promoting Human Rights among young people, as well as spreading joyful amusement at the same time.

Since the beginning, #EstoEsTuyo intended to use comedy for empowering people about Human Rights, and for informing what actually happens in Venezuela. Through this interactive method, many young leaders were formed at the most renowned



universities in our country, making them aware and capable about the principal violations of Human Rights, and providing them with tools in order to defend and protect whatever concerns and belongs to them.

In their last set up, Claudia Manresa and Yosue Ochoa made the audience laugh at Cusica, in El Hatillo. Besides, they counted on Venezuelan groups Ile Des Phoques, Juan Simón Ávila, Carta Roja Banda, Stereolux, and Bridges, who

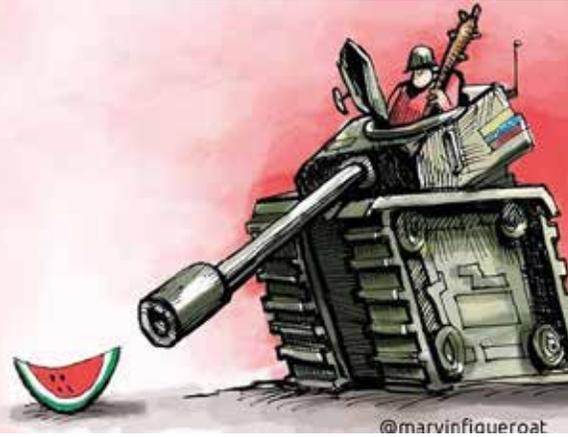
brightened up with good music the collection of non-perishable aliments, destined to refectories of Nutriendo el Futuro.

Espacio Público - www.espaciopublico.org

Espacio Público rejects sentence against website La Patilla

Supreme Court of Justice's (TSJ's) sentence against digital media La Patilla is an arbitrary measure in reprisal for the broadcasting of information of public interest in Venezuela. Espacio Público rejects this sentence because it violates principles consecrated in the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (CRBV) and in international treaties on human rights -also assumed by our Constitution.

This judicial process derives from a reproduction done by La Patilla of an article broadcasted by Spanish printed media ABC, which pointed out that Diosdado Cabello was under investigation in the United States for his involvement in drug traffic. That is an information of public interest, for it questions the actions of a public official -at the moment, he was the president of National Assembly (AN) - and is



especially protected by international standards about freedom of expression. Besides, it relates with social scrutiny, inherent to democratic dynamics, particularly when concerning public goods and institutions.

TSJ's ruling argues that our Republic's tribunals are not competent for analyzing cases according to international norms for the protection of human rights. As for TSJ, the informative website should have commenced another process before the Constitutional Hall, in order to obtain protection to its rights.

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Acceso a la Justicia - www.accesoalajusticia.org

Fraudulent ANC has no time schedule or a calendar's date



Illegal Constituent National Assembly (ANC), two years after its installation -August 4, 2017- for supposedly producing a project of Constitution -up to now, nobody knows about its progression- decided to prolong its life up to 2020.

For us in Acceso a la Justicia, it is particularly important warning that ANC's decision of extending its functional

validity is a proof of how arbitrary and illegitimate it is, ever-since the convocation via presidential decree "2.830, on May 1st, 2017, published by Official Gazette #6.295 extraordinary on May 1st, 2017. Actually, it was an instrument decided by Nicolás Maduro against people's sovereign will, this one being the only entity entitled to convoke -or not!- a Constituent Assembly, as foreseen in arts.5 and 347 of our Constitution.

While ANC adopts and executes this type of arbitrary measures, Venezuelan population -quite paradoxically- does not have a hint about a project for a new Constitution, which is the objective for which- was convoked- this illegitimate and fraudulent constituent process.

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PROVEA - www.derechos.org.ve

Victims of degrading, cruel, inhumane mistreatments

Along 2018, Provea identified 970 victims of cruel, inhumane, and degrading mistreatments; which means a 179% increase of the cipher registered in 2017. The number of cases of sentences and punishments considered cruel, inhumane and degrading -accounted by Provea during 2018- is the second highest in a series started in October 2000. Periods October 2005/ September 2006 (1.394 cases), January 2018/ December 2018 (970 cases), and January 2015/ December 2015 (793 cases) are the highest registrations in the last 20 years.



Within the context of Complex Humanitarian Emergency (EHC) in our country, limitations in access to food and to health services especially affects vulnerable people, such as seniors, children and adolescents, native populations, and persons imprisoned, among others. In a joint report by several NGOs, published in October 2018, records show 10.952 new cases of tuberculosis along 2017 -most of them in jails, because of inhumane conditions, like stacking and malnutrition of inmates.

About deceases during imprisonment: in 2018, in preventive detention centers in Venezuela, 43% of cases were due to cruel, inhumane, and degrading mistreatments.

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Defiende Venezuela - www.defiendevenezuela.org

Denouncing corruption is paid dearly in Venezuela

On June 27, 2017, Army Lieutenant Daniel Alexander Morales Gonzalez was arrested by agents of General Direction of Military Counter-Intelligence (DGCIM), for presumably having committed the offence of sustracting military equipments, among others: sustracting and negotiating medicines belonging to Military Hospital "Francisco Valbuena", in Maracaibo, state of Zulia.



presumable acts of corruption by Colonel Angel Romero Castro, who was that institution's director at the moment. As a result, Lt. Morales Gonzalez was arrested and submitted to a judicial process in the corresponding military jurisdiction -a process that has not finished yet.

However, the truth is: Lt. Morales Gonzalez, exercising his attributions as the Chief Buyer of that Military Hospital, emitted a report pointing at fails, weaknesses, and

Thanks to his private defense attorneys, and to the international accompaniment of Defiende Venezuela, it was achieved: the 5-years-8-months-in-prison condemnatory sentence -to be fulfilled in the department of military inmates, in Santa Ana, state of Tachira- was annulled for containing vices, and a new process is due now. Yet, Lt. Daniel Morales is still deprived of liberty, as he waits for the new trial.

Foro Penal - www.foropenal.com

Case Leonardo Gonzalez: after two years, nobody responsible for his death during 2017 protests

By June 7, 2019, Foro Penal had registered 15.063 arbitrary arrests in Venezuela since January 1st, 2014. 844 civilians have been presented before Military Courts. Since January 2014 up to date, we have accumulated 3.134 political prisoners; from those, full liberty and release under diverse modalities have been obtained in 2.341 cases.

By April 2014, we had 117 political prisoners in Venezuela. Today, the figure for this type of inmates



-certified by OAS/OEA last June 3- is 793 persons, 58 being women. Besides, 8.603 persons are still unfairly submitted to penal processes under caution measures.

Impunity goes on being the rule in cases of persons killed by the State repressive corps and irregular groups that act,

with the former's acceptance or complicity, during protests. One is the case of Leonardo Gonzalez, killed on July 2017: the process has lasted for two years, but nobody has been declared guilty yet.

CEPAZ - www.cepaz.org.ve

R2P and its applicability in Venezuela

The Global Center for the Responsibility to Protect (GCR2P) has presented studies and alerts on Venezuela, in which the locate ours as one of the most worrying crisis in the world, given the level of the political conflict and the grave violations of human rights, all of which risks people to become victims of atrocious crimes. GCR2P also recognizes what many organizations of the civil society in Venezuela have denounced for years, that our country's situation is a real complex humanitarian emergency: they mention a combination of factors, ranging along political instability, breakdown and fragmentation of the State, crumbling of formal economy, collapse of the health system, general scarcity of aliments, and the spread of preventable diseases.

GCR2P emphatically points out the State's non-accomplishment of its responsibilities of protecting all venezuelans, independently of their political affiliations. Being a consultor, GCR2P states as a necessary action the immediate stopping of violations and systematic abuses



against human rights, as well as guaranteeing that security corps will refrain from using force disproportionately -even mortally - against manifestants.

In addition, GCR2P urges States members of United Nations to impose specific sanctions to all State officials that are responsible for violations and systematic abuses against Human Rights in Venezuela, including torturing political prisoners. Besides, GCR2P points out that ONU,

with the support of Latin American States and the Organizations of American States (OEA), should help to negotiate a pacific end to the crisis.

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Transparencia Venezuela - www.transparencia.org.ve

A special controller is required for protecting Venezuela's goods abroad



Transparencia Venezuela proposes appointing a special controller, who assumes, as soon as possible, the supervision and protection of

Venezuela's resources abroad, given the unprecedented circumstances our country is presently living in.

Our nation's patrimony faces enormous risks of corruption, after two decades of opacity in administering the State's riches; two decades of very little accomplishment of good practices; two decades of alarming levels of impunity.

A transparent management of resources, with faithful and detailed registers of all decisions and actions, right in front of venezuelans' eyes, should be the guide line of those who,

representing the interim government, assume responsibilities for the goods and funds our country owns abroad. The terms of Transparencia Venezuela's preposition are exposed in a document available at www.transparencia.org.ve

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