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EDITORIAL

This issue begins with an article by Guadi Calvo, who introduces us to the complex security situation presented in Sinai and the Egyptian government tries through strategies that have not been entirely successful. Worth noting that in the Sinai Peninsula is present since 1981 the Multinational Observer Force which is part of Colombia with a battalion (-) Infantry.

Next, the Spanish Colonel Francisco Javier Blasco presents an interesting analysis, with which closed the 2018 in which synthesizes different geopolitical realities with a broad cross-sectional view, showing how the speed of change, threats, and, what opportunities now called "transcomplejidad" requires highly skilled leaders who do not seem to abound today.

In the following article, Marco Aurelio Terroni, from Brazil, tells us about the origin of the distinctive commands his country, presenting a historical context and the controversy exists about its meaning. We announced that this author has sent us a paper that exposes all of the police forces of Brazil and will soon be publishing a Special, in Portuguese.

Another contribution of Guadi Calvo refers to Libya, and its complex situation where different armed groups vying for power, and where there is direct intervention of Western countries supporting those who are related to their interests. It is of course oil. Although hard to admit, Libya was better with Gadaffi.

Colonel Blasco, complements its relative contribution to the world situation, with an article that describes the current situation in Spain, in relation to the government of his country, and his continuous mistakes. Our Spanish readers as well as those interested in the internal situation in that country, are fortunate to have this caliber analysis.

A step followed, Juan Pablo Pardo Retortillo, Spanish naval officer, presents an article entitled Geostrategic Movements in Latin America, in which he describes diaphanous way, some of the most important issues on the continent, starting with a comprehensive historical review and covering the different alliances and trends. This analysis is important in the role of Colombia in the region. In fact, a rather dangerous game and long-term consequences.

We end this issue with an explanation of the Colombian legal structure, as exemplified by the education sector. Article aimed at our Colombian readers and people interested in this country, which has recently gained prominence internationally.

We invite our readers to continue sending their articles to Triarius, for us it is an honor to contribute to the dissemination of his thought, understanding that this will also contribute to the professional development of those responsible for security, defense, intelligence and counterterrorism the different countries that come our publication.

Cognize to beat!

Douglas Hernandez

Editor



This newsletter has an Spanish version.

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In the interest of promoting serious and sustained debate Triarius has published articles on the Venezuelan problem from different angles and positions. We can not ignore that country and what happens there, is at the center of global geopolitics, and permeating interests of all kinds. No doubt the role that the media are playing in the assessment of the different actors and actions. The New York Times published an article a few days in which shows that the burning of humanitarian aid 23F at the border, occurred at the hands of opponents of Maduro ago, and not their supporters, CNN has just presented a report which shows that the drone strike against Nicolas Maduro in August 2018 was real and was planned in Colombia. These two disclosures,

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special international analysts that free us have submitted articles for this issue thanks.

Egypt: A year lost in the desert

By Guadi Calvo (Argentina)



Egyptian troops in operations in the Sinai desert.

On February 9 last year, the Egyptian government launched the "military operation Integral Sinai 2018" maneuvers involving the army, navy, air force, border patrol and police forces in the country, designed to hunt down and kill to Wilāyat Sinai insurgent group swore allegiance to Daesh in 2015, formerly known as Ansar Bayt al-Maqdis (Followers of the holy House), starred in numerous attacks not only against the security forces, but against the Coptic minority and even has attacked mosques. The bloodiest of the attacks occurred in November 2017, against the al-Rauda, in northern Sinai, which left more than 300 dead and 135 wounded.

The operation also covers areas of the Nile Delta and 1100 kilometers from the desert border between Egypt and Libya, Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi-within three months terrorism would be defeated. The offensive began a few weeks before the presidential elections, in which al-Sisi for a second term was finally obtained.

The head of the operation throughout the year has issued more than 30 reported reported to have killed a total of 464 "terrorists" and arrested 7491 suspects, a significantly higher figure when you consider that according to agency reports monitoring American terrorism Wilāyat Sinai would have about 1250 members. Data, at least erroneous issued by the Army Headquarters has created a lack of credibility, not only

by the media and the Egyptian public opinion but also of organizations that defend international human rights and to have increased complaints about extrajudicial executions, enforced disappearances and torture by security forces.

Last January, the bodies of two suspected terrorists were recognized for their relatives who complained that men were common criminals, killed to present them as members of Wilāyat Sinai.

Beyond allegations of abuse and violate human rights, the operation has had significant successes. Has confirmed the seizure of large quantities of weapons, ammunition, vehicles, and destruction of shelters, arsenals and sites for storage of essential items such as medical supplies and supply well haberles cause significant casualties of highly trained militants and cause them serious boundedness territorial mobility of the Mujahideen.

Last November it managed to eliminate the emir Abu Osama al-Masry, the top commander of Wilāyat Sinai, responsible for the bombing *Airbus A-321*Russia in November 2015, which killed 224 people. Amir al-Masry whose death was recognized by his proper organization had been security chief Egyptian President Mohamed Morsi ousted in July 2013 for its links with extremist organizations like the Muslim Brotherhood. Anyway, the achievements of

the 2018 Sinai forces have not had a clear result since the activity of fundamentalists has not diminished.

The fight against the Wahhabis has caused a serious humanitarian crisis, given the harsh restrictions suffered by the 420,000 inhabitants of the area of operations who have limited traffic and obtaining basic supplies such as food, medicines, gas for cooking, as well as the total ban on selling or using any type of fuel for vehicles. Civilians must make long queues to get food at distribution stations run by the army.

The joint forces operation also demolished some 3,500 homes and commercial buildings along the borders with Gaza in Rafah and about Arish International Airport to implement buffer zones cover and remove the Mujahideen. These operations have produced thousands of families living should become internally displaced. Also hundreds of hectares of farmland, removing a natural source of work and supplies for thousands of people.

absolute uncertainty

According to the "Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy "(TIMEP) based in Washington, who has covered over the past year the shares of the Wilāyat Sinai, the Wahhabi organization often argued with significant operations throughout the year. According TIMEP, there were at least 204 shares, giving an average of 18 monthly attacks in different areas of the northern peninsula, despite strict security measures established by the Army.

With a large variety of weapons and strategies, Wilāyat Sinai, aimed against various targets in some cases default and other casual 83 of them occurred in ITo city Arish, capital of North Sinai; Sheikh Zuwied 46 in a town near the Gaza Strip, and 67 in Rafah, the only crossing between Egypt and Palestine, in addition there were eight other fundamentalist actions in Central Sinai.

Takfirists attacks focused on assassinations, ambushes, kidnappings, sniper attacks and bombings.

Just started operation and while the security alert was at its peak four Mujahideen attacked the headquarters of Battalion 101 in Arish. When they could access after a long shooting to detonate their

explosives vests immediately, without her to know the final number of casualties.

In mid-April, 14 militants attacked the barracks of Qasima in al-Hasna, Central Sinai, one of the highest security throughout the Sinai, resulting in death, according to official sources, eight soldiers and wounding 15, although media talk of at least 20 members of the army, while the terrorists claimed that the attack killed 22 soldiers including seven officers.

The attacks Wilāyat Sinai, the rest of the year they continued with a suggestive frequently throughout the Sinai, including both desert and urban areas, on December 16, was attacked a post of the Border Guard with guns weapons, grenade launchers and explosive IED (improvised explosive devices), leaving dead and wounded some 20 casualties.

This reiteration of actions shows that the huge investment, political, military and economic President al-Sisi to defeat terrorism is far from the long-awaited victory that had projected in only three months.

The attacks show the important ability to Wilāyat Sinai to perform such complex operations as risky against military objectives, and that beyond the strict security measures have failed to stop the actions and the ability of the militants, who last May tried killing no less than the head of the Central Security Forces in Arish, Major General Nasser al-Husseini, whose convoy floor an IED. The general was seriously heriaos died in the attack and his top aide, Captain Abdel Meguid al-Mahy.

The Wilāyat Sinai continues to establish mobile checkpoints to identify both soldiers of civilians, as members of the Bedouin tribes who collaborate with the army that kidnapped and executed. Particularly those positions located on the route west of Arish, Egypt leading to the mainland.

To curb these activities the military has stepped up airstrikes in an attempt to remove senior commanders, trained militias and prevent the recruitment of new fighters.

On 22 January, a military statement that progress in the war against terrorism, unlike previous releases and attempting a marketing effect is detailed, he dodged place the name "Integral Operation Sinai 2018" as if the operation had ended, even though the actions continue at Sinai, where Egypt has lost one year and an unknown number of lives.

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At breakneck speed

By Francisco Javier Blasco Robledo, Retired Colonel (Spain)



In most of my analyzes, and more lately, I have been keeping the feeling, which is more than a simple theory that the world, globalization and mainstreaming, as well as the speed and spread of scientific advances and technology are favoring the acceleration of events; so and so, they have gone from what is generally known as normal cruising speed or a lot more times so that we could head at breakneck speed.

Until recently, things did not usually appear suddenly and without warning, rarely overlapped so assiduously; our politicians, analysts, political scientists, people at the controls of the great alliances and international organizations weight used to take time to see arrive and analyze the movements, threats, define several lines of action, decide on one of them, make a decision more or less complex and that nation, or mount the manobra strategy for attack, placate, shut down, divert or even encourage a new problem, if necessary.

The world after the shocking and bloody World War II was divided into two distinct sides and have always maintained that this tense sustained division both in time and in form, we could provide much more stability than during those long years, nobody thought that was really happening or going to happen.

It was finished with that bipolarity and relatively soon, start with: the relentless and increasingly rapid revolution and evolution of new technologies; breaking into force Internet with all its possibilities timely and mass communication, entertainment simulcasting and knowledge; synergies, likes and dislikes generated by increasingly powerful social networks; large swings in the economy movers and shakers of the world every day in one way or another, achieving that can be passed from panic to euphoria in a few hours; the struggles and even terrorist actions in the interests of and the imposition of religion or other ideologies; the emergence of new actors in the international arena in search of his plot of leadership or ínfulas to recover spaces and bygone dominancias lost or forgotten many years ago; the super-exploitation of natural resources both on land and in the seas; the harmful effects of human hands on climate change; The Comebacks of the populists, totalitarianism and fascism reflected in massive protest movements invading most countries of the world for various reasons in demand for higher labor and unpayable assists and social assistance; unpopularity or weak capacity of political leaders who rule in most of the countries of the West; internal tensions between members of alliances strong and gritty rock which once; dangerous developments in

the Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and other intelligent, accurate and increasingly difficult to locate weapons; the endangerment of treaties and conventions regulating the use and possession of the above; the apparent loss of the little remaining capacity for international arbitration of large global organizations like the UN, other and other union or regional basis; rapid and devastating wake of several new major powers having been dormant for centuries and always seek not only their place curdle but the greatest expansion possible at the expense of land or waters of others and, mass migration and uncontrolled people seeking shelter or safety because much of the above. accurate and increasingly difficult location; the endangerment of treaties and conventions regulating the use and possession of the above; the apparent loss of the little remaining capacity for international arbitration of large global organizations like the UN, other and other union or regional basis; rapid and devastating wake of several new major powers having been dormant for centuries and always seek not only their place curdle but the greatest expansion possible at the expense of land or waters of others and, mass migration and uncontrolled people seeking shelter or safety because much of the above. accurate and increasingly difficult location; the endangerment of treaties and conventions regulating the use and possession of the above; the apparent loss of the little remaining capacity for international arbitration of large global organizations like the UN, other and other union or regional basis; rapid and devastating wake of several new major powers having been dormant for centuries and always seek not only their place curdle but the greatest expansion possible at the expense of land or waters of others and, mass migration and uncontrolled people seeking shelter or safety because much of the above. the apparent loss of the little remaining capacity for international arbitration of large global organizations like the UN, other and other union or regional basis; rapid and devastating wake of several new major powers having been dormant for centuries and always seek not only their place curdle but the greatest expansion possible at the expense of land or waters of others and, mass migration and uncontrolled people seeking shelter or safety because much of the above. the apparent loss of the little remaining capacity for international arbitration of large global organizations like the UN, other and other union or regional basis; rapid and devastating wake of several new major powers having been dormant for centuries and always seek not only their place curdle but the greatest expansion possible at the expense of land or waters of others and, mass migration and uncontrolled people seeking shelter or safety because much of the above. the apparent loss of the little remaining capacity for international arbitration of large global organizations like the UN, other and other union or regional basis; rapid and devastating wake of several new major powers having been dormant for centuries and always seek not only their place curdle but the greatest expansion possible at the expense of land or waters of others and, mass migration and uncontrolled people seeking shelter or safety because much of the above.

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This long list of phenomena is occurring almost or completely simultaneously in various corners of the globe, with varying degrees of intensity, application and even overlapping several of them at the same time and place and in the meantime the world against it It gives the feeling of being unmoved by their inability to act individually or collectively against even those under them very local or regional they are.

This year 2018 I do not think going to end history as a good year; If not the opposite. So fly pen without going into detail, we can highlight some of the very momentous events that have taken place in these 365 days that have kept some tension in humanity for their potential, economic, commercial, political, military and social impacts understanding among nations and within or between different ideologies and tendencies of their respective citizens and political parties. A whole long list of facts should include, at least, the following:

The closure false and worse without agreement after two years of negotiation Brexit that will leave indelible marks both among the British and their politicians and in its relations with other countries and European citizens [1]. It is the result of a populist movement based on issues of national exaltation and against emigration that has arisen or marked a serious moment of weakness of the EU with a lack of leadership with the idea of permanence and development in time they were able to lead the Union to a satisfactory solution to this serious internal crisis and successfully manage the time and the likely impact on other areas of the relationship, foreign policy, defense and cooperation unexplored or discover entirely,

Casualties and much tension within NATO by fragrant defaults on the agreed investments on behalf of all its members, the lack of interest in maintaining their efficiency and racanería when providing national contributions relevant to the fulfillment of hours actual or potential missions. Situation, which continue in the coming years or even worse, could derail the Alliance as such we understand it in terms of composition, structure, decision making, mission and tasks.

Large and unfinished tensions between the US and North Korea with the possibility, still latent, of an armed intervention threat or use of nuclear weapons with repercussions throughout the area and involvement of countries like South Korea, Japan, China and even Russia besides the two main characters already mentioned. A crisis which, if carried into effect also would be a very serious problem for the world economy. Despite all emerging

agreements not yet reflected in any concrete and predictably very difficult to reach, North Korea continues its dabbling in the search for new weapons and publicizing it to the world with the clear intention of provoking Uncle Sam [two].

The many great disagreements between Russia and the US on the issue of intermediate-range missiles that are threatening the continuity known as INF Treaty such weapons and that may be the tab starting to make fall the other with what be given to ruin the rest of treaties, agreements or conventions on WMD and their means of delivery. Treaties, many of them are about to fulfill their term and, for now, prevent a clash between the two powers most nuclear arsenal; but, disappearing, as it seems, they would leave the world more free will or whim of any of these.

Large inter European tensions over the issue of refugees and their acceptance, control and distribution has ended with a significant lack of EU agreement about now being Spain the current attention focus and place of daily entry of hundreds or thousands of these desperate for lack of a genuine European policy to tackle the problem in the countries of origin.

On this same subject, it should be noted the conflicting agreement reached a few days ago in Morocco on the non-binding Global Compact on safe migration, regular and orderly as a UN initiative [3] signed by many of the member countries of the same in a ceremony attended few leaders weight in proportion to the total number of signatures; although among them, as if he was the president Sánchez - Which vase, as is known, to any international event in recent months it points to appear albeit fleetingly, out on a photo and no apparent program. Ten participating countries, mostly Europeans, did not want to sign it and the US had previously withdrawn from the negotiations.

A pact which, despite having several years cooking and not binding, had not heard much about it until possible signing created in several countries certain conflicts as in Belgium where finally, today, have ended the resignation of the government held by pins [4] and whose acceptance also points to possible serious problems in France [5].

Situations of tension in the Middle East, with special emphasis between Saudi Arabia and Iran for various different reasons beyond its natural boundaries; and the constant harassment and increasingly powerful and alarming about Israel, they also have great influences on the creation and development of current situations of serious international tensions with very predictable leads to the immediate future. These point sources of tension

in the area, add the clear willingness to leave Syria Trump thereby control the area will be left Russia still remains,

Within the same space, is to see how they evolve the impact of new censures and economic and trade restrictions imposed by Trump against Iran because of unilaterally breaking the known as the Nuclear Agreement Iran and if he leaves sponsorship on Iraq that is still recovering after their struggles and against the Islamic State.

The start of large multi-year investments in sophisticated weaponry, combat and transport in countries like Japan, China, India, Iran, Turkey, Russia and the US and Israel among others to a lesser extent are becoming alarming and unflattering. Any spark that jump into any of the various scenarios which interact or part of the named countries face can be lethal.

Hardness higher proportion conflicts and misfortunes although not as well known popularly to the still unfinished Syria, in Yemen and South Sudan and in certain countries of central Africa, however, they are not the subject of constant international alarms ; not only for pretending to voluntarily ignore the seriousness of those, but by the hypocrisy of the rest of the world to see these very distant something that does not affect the least even for those who were their former colonial powers or commercial operators for many years and they even centuries.

Internal tensions in too many countries of Central and South America and the own shared borders with those who have serious problems that incite mass exodus of people, as in the case of Venezuela and even the gates of the US closing access to hundreds of thousands of immigrants who, en masse, trying to break into what they assume their place host or promised land where they organize their personal and family life. All situations that are driving the adoption of strong measures highly repressive rejection and comprehensive and excessive control by potential recipients of such migratory flows abuses consequent and scorns of internationally recognized human rights in general and refugees in particular.

Trade tensions arising from tariff and trade policies originated by the US with China, Russia, the EU and its neighbors to the north and south trounced markets and stock markets around the world with multibillion-dollar losses in a matter of few hours what drags major economic crises that often the prelude to derivations ending in conflicts of greater significance.

The relative failure of the Climate Change Summit held in Poland from 3 to 14 December ended with the partial closure of an agreement that was raised to fully develop what has already been agreed in Paris in

2017 on the subject. This agreement, which had to be lowered enough in their pretensions much the president of the summit jumped for joy above the head table at the time of closing.

Decisions on this agreement must be adopted unanimously by the 200 participating countries which led to the extension of the meeting for another day. On the other hand, due to pressures mainly arrivals from the US, Russia, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait had to reduce claims, limit or waive part of the harsh references from experts and postpone important decisions such as buying and selling emissions for next Summit within one year (Brazil).

Now it is up to the countries to present their plans to contribute to those agreed [6] achievements. António Guterres statement, Secretary General of the UN, the day before the deal closes NGOs attending the event "Nobody will be satisfied after these negotiations" is very symptomatic.

Real passivity and only something and merely mouthpiece art of NATO to recent dalliances Russian territorial waters of Ukraine and the bleeding position on the approval of the creation of a regular army in Kosovo [7], when its autonomy - he forced at the time by the UN was based on denying such a possibility from the same end of the initial war and ethnic conflict with Serbia, as I remain clearly marked UN Security Council Resolution 1244 in June 1999 [8]. A situation that has not liked anything or Russia or China, however, much to the US. Decision accepted in one way or another so it is highly regrettable that body that once set the rules of the game and, to a greater degree, by the NATO and the EU because, contravening marked on the resolution, this fact, it sounds simple and irrelevant, it can serve as food and encouragement to separatist movements budding in several Member States of the Union itself; including in Spain.

The shameful political situation in the EU itself where most weight leaders have disappeared almost entirely scarce and the few remaining, as Merkel's days are numbered in front of Germany and indirectly in Europe. We will soon see how the political future oriented in their country; who takes the reins of moving the Union and the effects of the speed with which the fiery lights of the new actors which appear brightest stars in the political arena are turned off, but in reality are only authentic straw men; such as the maximum current leaders of Italy, France, Greece, Austria and Spain.

Serious protest movements against abusive government policies on issues of major tax hikes and creating new ones acogotan companies, classes and true autonomous measures engines western

economies. Facts found quick response, even before application and which resulted in the sadly known manifestations of the "yellow jackets" who, having been born in France, have been easily exported to other places such as Hungary [9]. Movements that are able to have on tenterhooks governments so far considered well established (Macron)

In separate point we should stress that we face a number of very uncertain changes within the Union, not only in the rulers of many countries heads, but also in the next and recent relief in major structures and bodies EU command. I fear that the number of parties and deputies called Eurosceptics come to bring stability and policies of the Union at risk. Hence the interest in maintaining the European People's Party group of populist Viktor Orban, Hungarian President despite all his ideas and actions against measures taken or proposed by the Union. Keep it means not subtract votes in this squalid and weighing plate [11].

Another factor common and particular unease in political Europe is the steady loss of capacity, values and influence of socialist parties in the area, some have disappeared, others turned into almost irrelevant and many of them have left social democratic theories to snuggle or escorase more a certain kind of rancid populism which unseats many of their voters and supporters.

Everything about, oddly enough has happened in a few months; although a few of these issues are somewhat longer, most are the result of this year on its last dying gasps amid a crisis on the vagaries of the stock exchanges; constant and rabid strikes everywhere; threats from jihadist lone wolves always very active in these Christian dates, this threat also remains latent in Europe much more active in many parts of Asia and Africa; the outrageous and growing phobia using solid fuels versus an impossible race to an excessive electrification of the means of locomotion that nobody knows how it will solve the problems in their expensive refills and delicate batteries,

We here in Spain, in the hands of a totally irresponsible government, dump the exterior and interior gallery; policies that impact and shock effect takes everything you hear in and out or happens to any minister without consensus or assess the capacities and own possibilities to realize it. That moment and despite his many assignments and uncouth partners and their separatist rebels, is not able to present and approve budgets despite trailing behind those in search of support. Living totally gripped and mortgaged in the hands of the worst possible within the parliamentary framework peers who do not respect, but insulting to the Constitution,

His Majesty the King, the other national symbols and in which many of them,

I must confess that these issues, and some others I have left out for not extending this work, I have terrified, very concerned about their severity and the speed with which they appear, they grow, develop and spread to other sectors or areas near and not so much.

However, despite all this, as I am a very traditional nostalgic and being aware of the dates we are, I would

like to thank everyone who has reached this point in my last job analysis year having the patience to do it and wish every reader and friend who comes to these pages an excellent Christmas and the best for the New Year, God willing, and at least allow all these problems leave us a taste enough to breathe. (Editor's note: Colonel Blasco closed with this paper, analyzes 2018).

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Knife in the skull, no known history

By Marcus Aurelius Terroni (Brazil)



In this regard the first impression you have is that it is a contradiction without limits, who does not remember the famous phrase of the character of Deputy Fraga in the film *Tropa de Elite 2*: "Having a cop whose symbol is a cavalera, it is to have a policewoman whose symbol is death," referring to the intervention of the BOPE (Special Operations Battalion) in jail where they kill a criminal. But not everything is what it seems. There are reports that this symbolism is nothing more than a tribute to the victory of human rights on terror, life over death and not the opposite.

It was identified the defense of human rights by special forces during the offensive of the Allies against Nazi domination in Europe in the 1940s then arises the concept of commands with the focus on the defense of freedom and human rights. Commands are characterized by small highly trained military groups, motivated, able to carry out high-risk missions efficiently. This group was developed by the British (Winston Churchill) to operate against the Nazis.

For example, in Brazil, training Command Course dates from 1942 with six months of training, a class composed of officers and sergeants of the Armed Forces of Minas Gerais.

The first commands - Special Air Service, whose symbol (SAS), Britain, and the dagger was flanked by wings with the phrase "Who dares, wins". Which they concluded the course received a dagger, ultimate symbol of SAS, if so, the Commandos became feared by Nazi troops, even with an express determination of Adolf Hitler who were exterminated to the last.

In Germany, there were also Totenkopf (Death skull), one of the most cruel Nazi groups among whose symbol was a skull. From the rise of Hitler and the use of the skull by this division nazi such symbology he was compromised and came to represent existing cruelty and inhumanity in the Nazi concentrations. The Totenkopf became known as the violators of human rights in all their dimensions.



Before the facts became clear the existence of two opposite directions in that historic event, on the one hand Commandos, whose symbolism was the dagger and other Totenkopf, whose symbol was the skull.

There is a statement based on an oral tradition, with the victory of the allied forces over the Nazis, the Commandos had invaded the base of the Totenkopf and on the table of his commander had a skull (symbol of the division) and to enshrine victory of life and liberty over death in concentration camps, a soldier of the controls would have nailed the dagger on the skull and that this act would have emerged the term "victory over death".

According to Lt. Bione, of the 1st EHOIF (Independent Special Operations Company) of the Military Police of Pernambuco, many versions are told about the origin of the phrase, but there is only one meaning: Victory over death.

That being the case, the special forces of Brazilian police pay tribute to the victory of the controls of that fact in history, using their distinctive skull pierced by a dagger, referring to the frame represented by the resumption of respect for fundamental rights man. The expression used by groups of special operations police, "Knife in the Skull" spread throughout the country.

Course of Action Command (ACC), also known as "Knife in the Skull" is aimed at military at the start of his career, because its implementation requires differentiated physical form. The leveling phase occurs because of the officers and sergeants have training in various military schools. "It's not the most technical military, nor the best physically prepared that will conclude the course, but the military with better psychological preparation. Many of those who came, they go on stage leveling and leave without having used a black hat.

The start in ACC does not mean the guarantee course completion, since the average of conclusive revolves around 25% to 30% of registered voters, who works with a team of instructors, many of them experienced in actual performances. Future commands will be: o Detachments Commanders

Action Command, which is the case of officers, or Detachments Group Command Actions, in this case, the sergeants.

From the strategic point of view, develop missions capture, rescue, elimination, prohibition and occupation of white, located in a hostile area or under enemy control, in peacetime, crisis or armed conflict, seeking to achieve political, economic, psychosocial or military.

They are accompanied by military medical support, where they are monitored during the course, being that in the week of Test Reaction Leader is the time when the largest number of outages is given. At the end of the course, students are able to identify the symptoms and effects of thermal disturbances and severe syndrome caused by a muscle direct or indirect injury, which can lead to death in extreme cases, applying techniques of first aid, directed by topographical map and GPS, apply the techniques of hand combat free hand, knife, handgun, with long arms, installing antennas and radios, to know the terrain and be able to act in different regions as in the Selva region, in the Caatinga in the mountains and the sea,

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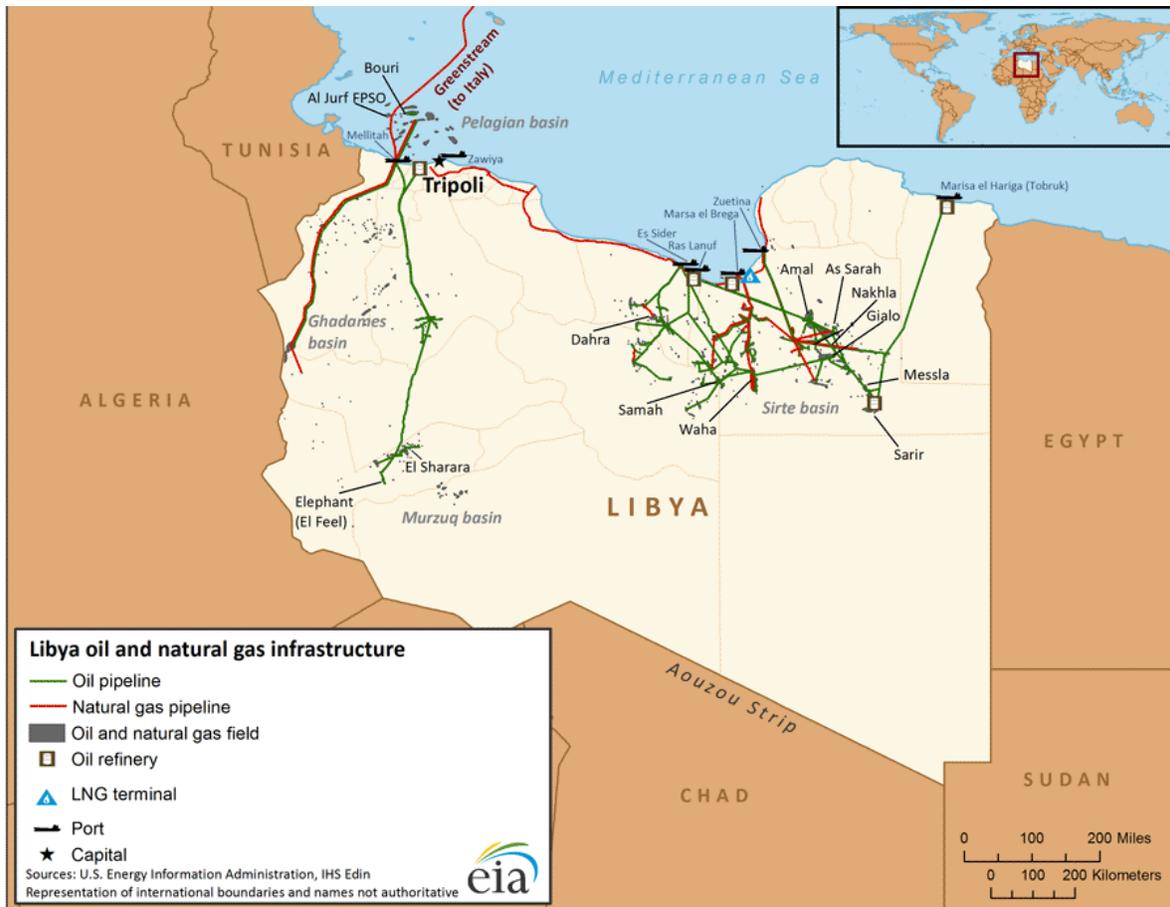
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Libya's oil, stupid.

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While political solution in Libya remains locked and the different forces, with some degree of territorial or military representation, not even reach an agreement that takes them to negotiate guidelines governing the talks finally desemboquen in elections, still even will know whether they will be parliamentary or presidential, the war for control of oil and territory has had a new episode.

These last few weeks there were some clashes for control of oil field al-Sharara, the most important country able to produce about 320 thousand barrels of oil a day, about one third of current production across the country, including troops Libyan National army (ENL), led by auto quarterback named Khalifa Hafter and some armed gangs, militias and Chadian armed groups in the southern tribes particularly Toubous.

Al-Sharara, about 900 kilometers south of Tripoli, which operates mainly the Spanish Repsol, but also has French interests Total, was closed last December by the authorities of the National Oil Corporation of

Libya after the Toubous, with militias from Chad, they will take their facilities to demand the government of Tripoli, which meets United Nations and heads Fayeze al-Sarraj, to invest part of the profits in the region that is experiencing extreme poverty, in addition to requiring a important rescue, which has not gone beyond the figure. Hafter against loyalist forces, the figure with more firepower in a society wounded death after the intervention of the West in 2011.

Forces Hafter, after taking control of the "crescent oil" (See: Libyan mousetrap) which has major refineries and oil ports, with which the country, as Zueitina, Ras Lanuf, Sidra, and Ajdabiya, in January ordered his men heading south to "liberate" al-Sharara.

Troops Hafter, last Tuesday managed to take the main wells, offices and technical rooms the field of al-Sharara and expel the autonomous militias that had taken the field since its closure in December, according to sources of the place, managed to take

the field almost without fighting, thanks to negotiations with ENL controls Toubous tribes after negotiations betrayed some militias passing sides.

The pro-Western authorities in Tripoli, defined the operation in southern Hafter as terrorism and loyalist forces sent to protect the fields, in addition to filing a complaint in the Security Council. In the fighting between the guard oil installations (PFG) responsive to Tripoli and Hafter men, five people have died and another 16 were injured.

With this victory the self-styled marshal would come to control almost all Libyan oil production, which accounts for international markets about 800 thousand barrels per day, equivalent to about one billion dollars. In times of Colonel Gadaffi's oil production was exactly twice. With the territorial control of the oilfields, Hafter, is in an excellent position against a possible presidential election, which is the greatest desire of the United Nations, which should resolve desperately the issue of hundreds of thousands of refugees in Libyan ports waiting to cross to Europe.

Hafter troops in their southward shift had the collaboration of the French Air Force, who attacked a column of 40 trucks of militiamen, who later lost on the border with Chad.

Hafter, the strongman of the government of Tobruk, one of the heads of representation that has Libya has justified its presence in the south, under the guise of "fighting terrorism" as if any faction in the Libyan conflict that will not fit the terrorist sayo.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France, the same Tuesday Hafter justified the operation, saying in a statement that it had "eliminated the terrorist targets" in addition to "permanently hamper the activities of human traffickers."

Along with oil, the main reason that Europe: prevent displaced persons and refugees continue to arrive at the Libyan coast and then move to Europe.

For his part, the president of the Libyan National Oil Company (NOC), Mustafa Sanallah, met this week with the CEO for Libya Repsol, Luis Paulo Navas to find a way to start trading urgently the field al-Sharara, the only healthy lung of the Libyan economy, but to achieve first They will have to re-establish security conditions throughout the area. According mouthpieces Khalifa Hafter, the al-Sharara be returned to Tripoli, once stabilized.

Mr. South.

Southern Libya is one of the sectors of the country where disorder has been generated after the war against Gadaffi and since then has not been able to

stabilize, at least formally as in the Tripolitania and Cyrenaica, where it has Hafter made strong overall.

Hafter, which has the backing of Russia, France, Egypt and the UAE, and has the largest force in the segmentation afflicting the country as a result of the disappearance of the government of Colonel Gadaffi, having conquered all this Libyan, and having taken the strategic city of Benghazi, in July 2017, is now expanding to the south of the country, the region of Fezzan, after having agreed with its main tribes: Awlad Suleiman, Toubou and Tuareg.



In a meeting held in Sabha, capital of Fezzan, the tribes of the area and other Southeast, have officially declared their support for the army Hafter, although some leaders of these tribes, have expressed their concern about the bloodthirsty reputation troops ENL who they have been numerous killings in the territories it gained control. Some Toubou leaders accuse troops Hafter, to encourage Arab tribes to attack their camps and plunder their possessions.

And eradicated gangs and militias since the country was dismantled, were taking over the smuggling, trafficking in drugs, arms and migrants arriving from the south and west of the continent, Hafter, seems determined to realize the cherished dream of become the darling of the West, finally, take the place of his former boss Gadaffi Colonel, who betrayed after the war in Chad in 1977.

It also ensures that operated in the region armed groups seeking to oust Chadian President Idriss Deby, who were attacked by French aviation accompanied the men Hafter, on his way to recapturing the al-Sharara.

The region is also the scene of continuing clashes between the Toubou minority and Arab tribes for control of cross-border routes, where they spend millions of dollars in shipments of all kinds.

The Toubou, (People Rock), Sunni Muslims, nomadic pastoralists whose clans are located in

southern Libya, northern western Sudan and eastern Niger, Chad, historically have called for recognition of their rights without having succeeded, by what approach Hafter men, he has given them new hope.

Sources close to Khalifa Hafter announced that the pseudo marshal, aims to crown the successful offensive in Fezzan, visiting Tamanhint airbase, and perhaps the city of Sabha. This was the first time since

2013, to abandon Cyrenaica, to visit another site Libya, although he has made several international tours and traveled to France for admission, (See Libya: Requiem for a traitor).

Hafter, you know that he is now closer than ever to win the title of Libyan strongman, although there is still a long road ahead, a road of al-Qaeda and Daesh, know every bend.

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In late September 2016 I wrote an article analyzes the political situation by then was dragging and living in Spain and mainly in the main legislative chamber, the Congress of Deputies. Article I titled 'Come gentlemen ... Come and see !! [1] Recalling the cry of complaint that were once used to be used mainly at the gates of the small circuses hours before the function to thereby encourage the general public and the chiquillería to occupy one of the chairs or benches from to watch the show that the company in general and artists in particular offered him their performances more or less studied and different risk or category.

It was not, nor is it my intention to offend the guild circus to compare him to the two Houses of the Spanish Cortes; one profession that such dignity, effort, dedication and commitment, and also to make matters worse, lately is subject to certain interested persecution by certain municipalities, mainly populist; who hide behind their support for animal rights movements, they prohibit access to their areas of municipal responsibility, if those working with animals. Which is amazing because they have done for centuries and in many cases, is the essence of his show and therefore,

Anyway, this is not the case we will occupy today, even if I wanted to emphasize because, oddly enough, has not had much support among political parties and society in general despite labor tragedy that for many means the disappearance of a work rooted and very traditional vocation and subtracting the vast chiquillería one of the traditional hottest and indelible in their minds in the years of childhood and puberty illusions.

Today I would like to do a little stock of the situation in which we found after two and a half years of what I

wrote when I found truly alarmed by the poor quality of political staff in Spain, the lack of cultural and professional training them and bass or no script the political agenda of almost every game, rather, seems to be dedicated to this policy only as a way of life, where to cash or to find the accommodation of friends and relatives at the expense of the long-suffering voters, who are the ones that our taxes pay them, not only their salaries, but their stipends luxury, travel, per diem, bonuses commissions and the antechamber or learning to be subsequently transferred by rotating to be hired doors by major companies ,banks and other financial economic activities including schools with auto mark of superior quality.

Although many things have happened in these two long years and there have been some changes of faces and even parties with responsibility in government; in Spain and in the Cortes nothing has changed for the better; You can say without fear of error, that we have advanced evil itself. We continue with much of those poorly prepared and brainless "comical" that often make their pestilent performance a daily tragicomedy, pantomime, an imposture and the greatest offense to the common people who is who sustains them in their seats.

Ladies and gentlemen deputies or senators who are not aware that they are there for the vote of those who wait and cry because they attend to their needs and demands and not for them to say barbarities for internal use of bench, comforting personal or food of famished packs or herds, as appropriate, in their homes expect to see blood and muddy quagmire in which to romp.

Late last May, Mariano Rajoy was the promised very happy when he managed to push through a

budget that not only cost him a lot of effort, but rather sweat and own and others' tears for the great perks that all Spaniards had to face and pay for content Basques and canaries in exchange for their few votes, but absolutely necessary.

However, were the same Basques who had woven the trap plot, which a few days, once achieved toast, and looking for more prey, switched sides and lent their support to a PSOE crazed led by Pedro Sanchez a man amply recognized by all as an egomaniac, narcissus, spiteful and inconsistent as anyone-cut and blood was taking advantage of the adaptation of an interested opinion of a judge of his rope, he played particularly -in its low confidence vote or credibility in the statements of President of the PP Rajoy cone in a judgment on certain corruptions in a distant local elections-two municipalities in the province of Madrid and that Rajoy was called as a witness and not how investigated,without having been officially reprimanded or charged with anything by the court in his person after his whole speech or the subsequent sentence.

The theme was cooked, prepared and well seasoned concocted a mercenary-for public opinion, a certain Ivan Redondo who came from several years serving PP- to present it as a scandal of national surfeit; lack of decency as a person in the eyes of all; I could not remain in office any longer.

I must say that, to envision such a possibility, Sanchez took advantage, it must be said, the invaluable help of parsley of all sauces, Albert Rivera; the commander in charge of Citizens who had previously used against him, similar terms and led to a highly unstable cainita to withdraw the support he had been providing with great pressure and many ups and downs since his election as prime minister in June 2016 situation.

Sánchez, which came to recover, based on nudges and many traperas cuchilladas for almost a year, the general secretary of the PSOE, which was displaced by so-called Barons, the discovery in October of that year trying to ally itself with the most Granado parliamentary, populist, communist, separatist, nationalist cast and ETA edge to create what from their own ranks was defined as an alliance of government or investiture Frankenstein [2] - I saw that play favored by C's a chance to take the lead and regain his old idea of dark investiture despite having denied by active and passive repeatedly that possibility to themselves and others to silence the old-new concerns and suspicions raised by its growing commotion from outside the House, which again,They began to be mentioned within and outside his party.

Said and done; and such Mimbres and strange props filed a motion of censure, which was effective on June 1. Motion even though our Constitution require to be "constructive" had no other content to remove the despicable Rajoy for his lack of decency, leaning to argue the case up to the demands of political appearances, ethical and moral in neighboring countries environment [3]. On the other hand, the motion did not include any government

program to be put to a vote and further and formally pledged to "restore the lost democratic values in Spain" and call general "elections" to the "earliest possible".

Most of these points quickly and replaced them unilaterally and without requesting a matter of trust for it, disjointed program, abusive, inconsistent and wasteful government disguising social and balancing; unashamedly dictated by ear known as the Marques de Galapagar, Pablo Iglesias.

Soon and to extinguish possible fires so upsetting, he monopolized the RTVE, the CIS and other state agencies clearly putting his service in command of well paid henchmen and, after a few days of that, showed his desire to keep the government until end of the legislature in 2020. Desire, which received great media support from their media, journalists and commentators related and very grateful.

To do this, he surrounded himself with a government of lords and ladies who were baptized "Star" although it did not last even a week [4] demonstrated that began to flourish among those several "stellate" and in many cases, it was soon found that they are people with certain and not a few personal, ethical, moral, economic and professional problems which led to the dismissal or resignation of another minister's somewhat later [5].

Given the potential glut of resignations in view of the successive and growing public whistleblowing among staff, Sanchez left not succeed this issue and stopped against the odds to prevent several more, he included himself for his fake thesis had to be changed and even be forced to anticipate elections by a more profound general crisis of government.

Have been pathetic multiple declarations of much of almost the entire cabinet with the president at the head few- He saved well to justify their troubles and big personal problems. To some, Sanchez first threatened several media publishing with claims or lawsuits, which were never known losers effective for them to be well informed those complaints.

I should make clear at this point a question that haunts me; Have you been bad aim Sanchez when choosing his cabinet, or is that all socialists or something near that stand out are full of Macas and major economic and social problems? Bad thing for a man who boasted formally and publicly announcing a while back vehemently reproached certain performance -while Podemita Monedero- no one would hold more than a few hours in your environment, if that person create a company to pay less tax [6] .

This is not the only statement Sanchez, swaggering at the time of execution and quickly tornada timorous that has had to swallow or rinse the above character; thing his first sword handler, the Calvo vice president, talking about something else, had to settle with one of his typical platitudes coming to say "that was the opinion of Sanchez when he was not president and is now the President" [7] , implying a very crude and mendacious way that the opposition

can say all it takes to thrive and statements should not be taken into consideration.

He and his advisers interpreted that should compensate for their great personal political shortcomings-he had been expelled from his position in the party and had two consecutive elections losing seats to reach the minimum historical expression with 84 escaños- based on maximizing their presence international in any event or circle of importance or where to appear, take one or more stolen pictures, drop any nonsense and do not even care receive outrageous and shameful attacks he as happened in Brussels in July 2018 the last NATO Summit mouth the same Trump after having tried ningunear this the day before [8].

The issue was to appear and comment on and all for show, at least internally, that was everything and even leading international movements within the EU. So he mounted a huge racket and problem with the issue of immigration and collecting Aquarius trumpeted in Valencia attended by more political personnel and emergency immigrants, under the cover of many media of all types and trend or inclination.

Complementing the above and parallel, his interior minister vehemently announced that he would proceed to dismantle the concertina wire fences of Ceuta and Melilla without presenting an alternative. For all this, give the idea that Spain, with this government, was willing to become the entry point of all immigration from the African continent, and actually what provoked was a major problem [9] and we we have become the country that receives immigrants from all over Europe by multiplying by far the number of arrivals [10].

Also in this issue of false appearances, he tried to show that leading the opinion and action of the EU regarding the issue of Venezuela and the self-proclaimed Guaidó as President in charge of that country; when in fact, from October 2018 until a few days earlier had proposed the same open hand with Maduro [11] favoring negotiation and therefore had to back down and join the momentum and flow of other countries, which was demonstrated in time to announce our decision and not be the first to [12].

Ultimately, it has not satisfied anyone in their excessive and vacuous international tour and the abandonment of the serious problems of Spain leaving them in the hands of Churches, Calvo, Abalos and Batet while he angered the leaders on both sides of the pond, constantly traveling between continents with little real agenda, accompanied by his wife vase which almost exclusively to whet your personal relationships and filling clearly inns photos and exaggerated his "book" personal and propaganda that nobody remembers.

On the domestic political issue, one of its major commitments was to re-establish relations with the Catalan leaders after falsely and repeatedly, that the previous government had spent years without any kind of conversation, investment or approach with that Spanish region their leaders. He had always erected

in the factotum and example of the policy, Synergy, empathy and dialogue as the only way to solve a problem that he, directly or indirectly, had favored in its drive to narrow much to pestilent previous government with its support for the implementation of Article 15 of the Spanish Constitution. Thing latter, which as usual in him, still selling like modélica, copy and true man who runs a real party state and to criticize others who do not support you on issues such as budgets themselves. Paradoxes of life, "D. It is not part of NO and no, he has not understood "demanding blind support for his administration when he denied all the contrary.

Well, on the subject of Catalan separatism and crimes committed by various Catalan political leaders, currently being tried for serious crimes of rebellion and malversación- despite the exaggerated and demeaning gestures and decisions both personally and many state, assignments political, judicial, economic, cultural, police, prison and chilling statements as having already underway pardon of these courts if they would be condemned as guilty, have not done any positive despite having been in the hands of those to win their motion of censure.

The Catalan government still laughing and scorning Spain both internally and externally, have increased their spending on painful issues such as the so-called embassies abroad, travel, conferences and symposia throughout Europe, and the US bringing its policy of exaggerated and false victimhood with money of all Spaniards without this government did nothing, to the point that yesterday in the press conference during the Security Conference in Munich (MSC) chameleon and ambivalent Borrell complained about it, when it has just been in their hands the have avoided [13].

Confidence and morale of the separatists in these first moments of the trial-circus on the said coup leaders is increasing with a mass demonstration in support held yesterday in Barcelona and harassing anyone who is not a separatist and wants to proclaim his ideas that territory and judges must exercise the application of justice.

They have precisely been the separatists and Catalan nationalists who have led the non-approval of the budgets for this year and consequently the electoral advance. But this fact does not seem to have closed the doors of Sánchez to realize it. In the same ad-rally said early elections last Friday, the president "forgot" to mention this nuance or detail and yesterday, in his first campaign rally with his persecuted and now parked Susana Diaz, he returned do to focus on their new toys campaign: avoid the return of Franco, unearthing this old ghost while his remains as even wringing every legal precept and agreements with the Church or pressuring the family and return to the old cainita confrontation between left and right presenting itself as the place to fight the so called "three right "; designation with which aerates contemptuously by Socialist concurrency of PP leaders, C's and Vox in the concentration of the Colon Square February 10 [14].

But we must also denounce those who complain about lack of respect for others, employ other more derogatory names used by ministers or spokespersons ladies that they should do or office or for being a woman. I am one of those who defend a lot of women, but I fight, its excesses under that femininity gives them carte blanche to do or say whatever they please and above all, using derogatory sexist terms.

In the field of domestic politics has lived these eight and a half months based initiatives, balloons and bad ideas of the moment; full of corrections, changes course and personal and political orientation at any minute of the day and where they are. Able to change the result of non-real defeats few magnificent victories imaginary wrapped in cellophane in bright colors.

His economic policies supported by wastages at the expense of entrepreneurs or imaginary income tax base unreached and expired by not approving budgets, make that since the beginning of this year when those measures have entered into force, the number of unemployed and affiliated to the Social Security [15] has decreased at a rate trises forgotten since the days of the crisis caused by their teacher and example, Zapatero ínclito such sad memories for all Spaniards and largely abroad. Debt and government deficit in absolute terms have reached the highest levels in history and has also upped the famous and almost forgotten risk premium. Exchange wise where there indicator of future forecasts of the economy and stability of a country, a good percentage rose nothing known that the courts were dissolved and general elections were announced. It is a coincidence or a sign of truth, but in this case is pure reality.

In the industrial world, much of our GDP is affected by decisions, intentions or maladjusted statements that world of crickets in a cabinet where every minister or minister will meanwhile became even many times each faced with others. Nothing good for the automotive industry, shipbuilding, and textile exports; as well as for major construction companies who base much of their balances in public works, unfortunately not be performed.

The automotive world has suffered a severe drubbing by unfortunate statements as dead to diesel and say it is overdue. The alternative of electric cars is still a frank utopia by the high number of our fleet, the price of these cars and impossibilities recharging for the vast majority of Spaniards sleep their cars in the open and unable to plug into the network at night. Generating the same electricity needed for that is another problem not solved because by proclaiming the end of joint productions with the closure of power stations and nuclear in a short space of time, in Spain it is impossible to supply all the old and new demand with real clean energy we produce and we will need a large increase in such items.

It is one more example of the dilemma to raise the solution to a problem is absolutely necessary to have previously analyzed the situation and studied the actual feasibility of the proposed solutions before taking absurd and randomly chosen solutions. Thing

that has happened on various aspects like the muggy budgets of yore, dialogados through his emissary Churches in Catalan prisons with those who do not give a damn Spain who also turned out to be the architects of that could not perform despite containing blood drawn to other regions so that the Catalans had his stuff and much more. Budgets, thank God they have not come because they do not add up,

In personal and moral aspect we can say without much room to err, that Sanchez is not a paragon of virtue to make it obvious and clear that likes the luxury at the expense of others, using the state media at will, personal and family comfort and solace, hiding such offenses in nineteenth-century laws that barely allow him to dodge the reality of the real and natural criticism. As evidence of this excessive desire and absurdity suffice it to say that this summer, brand new in office, has not hesitated to enjoy more holidays which was his by working days and used for him and his family two national facilities and various media State and enough staff.

Flattering your friends who sought accommodation even without hesitating to increase the number of official positions with good salaries and perks, although these were uncatalogued and even without pay. He has tried to cover himself by releasing ballast and getting rid of those who in their reasoning feel that the president was wrong and had to change. They have disappeared from the map, they have been purged quite simply pure mafioso style of a man without mercy.

Finally, as an example of stupidity, pretentiousness and vainglory staff mentioned, we should mention the next occurrence of "the book", another falsehood not as it has been written by him but by a black, turncoat UPyD that he has paid a fee of Secretary of State in a position that until she was altruistic and unpaid, to which they have given the bombastic title Manual Resistance [16] have to be a little "special" for being the president with the shortest and conflicted history of democracy throughout presumed published a book praising their resilience.

I got involved in something questionable legitimacy and a lot of lies, by the arguments, co-story and the thinness of his words and promises at the time of the event. It leaves the government with a speechrally full of lies and fallacies attributable things that we completely true [17]. Theirs is the short term and still used, changing his mind from one day to another on any subject even the most important in his life for many [18].

He is willing to all, he and his team sees no evil; still prepared to "dialogue" with those who do not want dialogue, to spend lavishly and lead the Spaniards to a new crisis, but, you tell them that this time will be much harder not to be a margin remaining in our debt public in which we can support. It is in astronomical figures [19] and is growing every second without stopping [20]. The bad thing about these festivals and pageantry, is not the unfairness of expenditures divided and scattered without justice, proportion and

fairness, but the fact that the causes and not think about tomorrow or who will be one who has to pay.

Now it's time cheap rallies, sprees, laughter, promises and concessions to tutti plen; where everything is simple and very easy to buy, we expect a very long and tedious campaign in which we will hear anything but what we can really interested. Spain is genuinely divided between blue and red, catalanistas and constitutionalists; We have returned to the times that are no longer needed or remember.

It is very sad that someone to make use fallacy, malice and merciless fratricidal war. It only remains to hope that resides in the mind and the good work of having to go to vote. seemingly simple act, but it is not,

if you really done with full awareness that our vote is deposited to improve and not to move towards a long journey and much toil. For what is needed seriousness, intelligence and lots of impartiality, left chimeras, and resist the siren songs and fifes how Ulysses we can confuse and stun.

I have them all with me; Spanish We are recognized globally as recalcitrant specialists stumble several times in the same stone without realizing or worse, purposely for lack of vision of the play, blind passion or limited ability to elucidate between good and evil and between lie or truth. We see what happens in May.

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Geostrategic movements in Latin America

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SUMMARY:

In recent times, many international events had separated the geostrategic vision of Latin America (Syrian war, annexation of Crimea by Russia, etc.), however, recently, new developments have refocused the attention of the news about this part of the world (riots in Nicaragua, Colombia entry into NATO, etc ..). This article explores the main factors of change and the affected countries, seeking, as always, the best possible knowledge of the historical keys of past and present (and their likely impact in the future), aimed at finding the truth and goodness, without which are not possible peace and freedom in the world, the latter targets for every nation and self-respecting army.

Introduction: Latin America and the US hegemon

The first thing to remember when considering the geopolitics of this area of the world is that on that continent sits the most powerful and, so far, only superpower today: the United States, which have since its inception and its idiosyncrasies or ethos, an action plan for the other countries of the continent, namely:

1. In 1823 the United States proclaimed his famous "Monroe Doctrine", summed up in the phrase "America for Americans", which stated that "any intervention of European states in America would be seen as an act of aggression that would require action US ", which, even without simaquéia (or defensive pact) made Hegemon equivalent to proclaim the Americas, being convenient to note warning the trader and future Chilean Minister of State D. Diego Portales in this regard:" we must be careful: for north Americans, are the only Americans themselves. "1

1Monroe Doctrine. Wikipedia. (Online), (date accessed: 30/10/18) Available in: https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Doctrina_Monroe

In line with its role as self-appointed hegemon, the United States will try, the Athenian style, implement their model of government (liberal democratic republic) in Latin America (with towns and accustomed to the monarchy as a form of government countries), "declaring threat any other system to which they had adopted ", starting with support for the overthrow of the Mexican emperor Agustín I the same year, 1823, and Maximilian I in 1867, sabotaging all attempts to restore a Catholic traditionalist monarchy since "convenient they not find the location of a monarchy so close to them. The reasons seem very simple, monarchies "marry" each other, and thus are easily made with allies and power,², Expansion would take place at the expense of Mexico itself in the war of 1846-48 (and wrest Mexico half its territory), and supporting the policies of liberal President Benito Juárez (what reason even a Mexican civil war) .

2. 1899 was proclaimed the "Corollary Rutherford Hayes" to the Monroe Doctrine, in accordance with the idea that the Caribbean and Central America were part of the "exclusive sphere of influence" of the United States, in which "to avoid interference Extra continental imperialisms in America, the United States should exercise exclusive control over any canal to be built "and laid the groundwork for subsequent appropriation of the Panama Canal.
3. In 1904, he proclaimed the "Roosevelt Corollary" to the Monroe Doctrine, by which "if an American country threatened or endangered the rights and property of citizens or companies, the US government was forced to intervene in the affairs of that country to "reorder", restoring the rights and property of its citizens and companies ", which meant the practice, A carte blanche for interference and intervention of the United States throughout Latin America. Said corollary caused great indignation in European leaders and particularly in the Kaiser Wilhelm II.³

New geopolitical factors in the region

On this geopolitical base, we find the following current realities that exist on the continent:

- On one hand, the announcement of the president of Nicaragua, Daniel Ortega, on "the signing of an agreement with the company HK Nicaragua Canal Development Investment Company based in Hong - Kong, China concession for 100 years for construction and operation a canal. "⁴
- On the other hand, the existence of the following organizations:
 - UNASUR: an organization of international scope which aims to build an identity and South American citizenship, as well as develop an integrated regional space; a kind of ABC from the time of General Peron but on a larger scale.
 - MERCOSUR: a process of regional integration founded in 1991 by Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.
 - Atlantic Alliance: a new model of integration with the countries that now make up the Mercosur, the name must be overcome because it points to the internal market objective of the Union, when the world market which should be integrated together.
 - Petrocaribe "*created in 2005 at the initiative of Venezuela with the aim of supplying fuel to member countries on favorable payment terms, as soft and low interest rate loans and would consist of 18 countries (including Honduras, Guatemala, Cuba, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Belize and a dozen Caribbean islands).*"⁵
 - Pacific Alliance: Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru: an economic and development cooperation between four nations initiative. The "Giro Copernican" of the proposal was an integration outward to facilitate joint action against the major world areas, especially China and Asia.

²Maximilian I of Mexico. Wikipedia (online), (date accessed: 19/08/15) Available in: https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maximiliano_I_de_M%C3%A9xico

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⁴CESAR Dachary, A. The Interoceanic Canal of Nicaragua: A geopolitical with history. (Online), (date accessed: 05/11/2018) Available in: <http://alfredocesardachary.com/el-canal-interoceanico-de-nicaragua-una-geopolitica-con-historia/>

⁵GORRAIZ LOPEZ, G. US is designing a new geopolitical cartography for Latin America? (Online), (date accessed: 05/11/2018) Available in: <http://www.institutodeestrategia.com/articulo/americas/euu-disenando-nueva-cartografia-geopolitica-america-latina/20180615104720013940.html>

Review, finally, that the countries of the continent are divided according to their relationship with the US, on the one hand we have the American allied bloc of the Pacific Alliance (Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru), and other countries "rogue" or regimes that are not liked or are contrary to American interests and idiosyncrasies, such as Nicaragua, Ecuador, Venezuela and Bolivia are.

Possible geopolitical movements in the area

The situation described above highlights capitalization forms the threat to US dominance in the Caribbean, is the possible construction of a new canal in Nicaragua, and besides hands of an emerging world power like China. It seems obvious that US efforts very presumably are to be turned in trying to prevent at all costs the emergence of China in an area considered its exclusive sphere, and the increased power of a Nicaraguan government disaffection to the US In fact,⁶Specifically, referring to the situation of revolution in Nicaragua "not being ruled out that remote control by the US this movement lead to a" patriotic or multi-revolution "to force the ruling to the holding of new general elections elites with the avowed aim of finalize the Sandinista Nicaragua heritage and get back to the path of democracy supervised by the US. "⁷

"Moreover, the facility last April a Russian satellite station in Managua (Lagoon of Nejapa) to" control drug trafficking and study natural phenomena "would have caused jitters Pentagon accuses Russia of" being using Nicaragua to create a sphere of military espionage "by the Global Navigation Satellite System (GLONASS), equivalent to the US GPS. So, we have witnessed the approval by Congress and the US Senate bill known as Act Nica (Nicaraguan Investment Act of 2017 Conditionality), which ... seeks to freeze international lending institutions US satellite (Bank World and Interamerican Development Bank), to Nicaragua with the avowed aim of causing financial starvation and subsequent economic strangulation. "⁸

The historical truth is that the Anglo-Saxon liberalism has extensive experience in revolutions, "casus belli" and "spring of peoples", in which the end result is always the establishment of its system of government (liberal democracy), with a winner always subject to the interests of the new hegemon or dominant power.

Of course, like ABC he scuppered the plan of General Peron, US Nor they can not consent economic and / or identity similar and independent initiatives such as UNASUR and MERCOSUR, as well as some authors "behind the neoliberal facade of the Pacific Alliance a refined draft geopolitical engineering whose purpose would hide latter would blow up the political project -integracionista represented by UNASUR and intensify the policy of isolation of the populist-progressive in the region, especially Venezuela, ... Governments. And finalize the economic integration project of MERCOSUR "⁹

Of course, the current situation in Venezuela and maintenance in the power of the Bolivarian regime of Nicolas Maduro, constitute one of the greatest American quebraderos head, so "the new US strategy It would strengthen trade and military ties with the countries of Petrocaribe to the danger of mimetic contagion of revolutionary ideals to Chavistas depend exclusively on the Venezuelan Petrocaribe for its energy supply "¹⁰All this combined with the new role that may represent neighboring Colombia in this geopolitical game.

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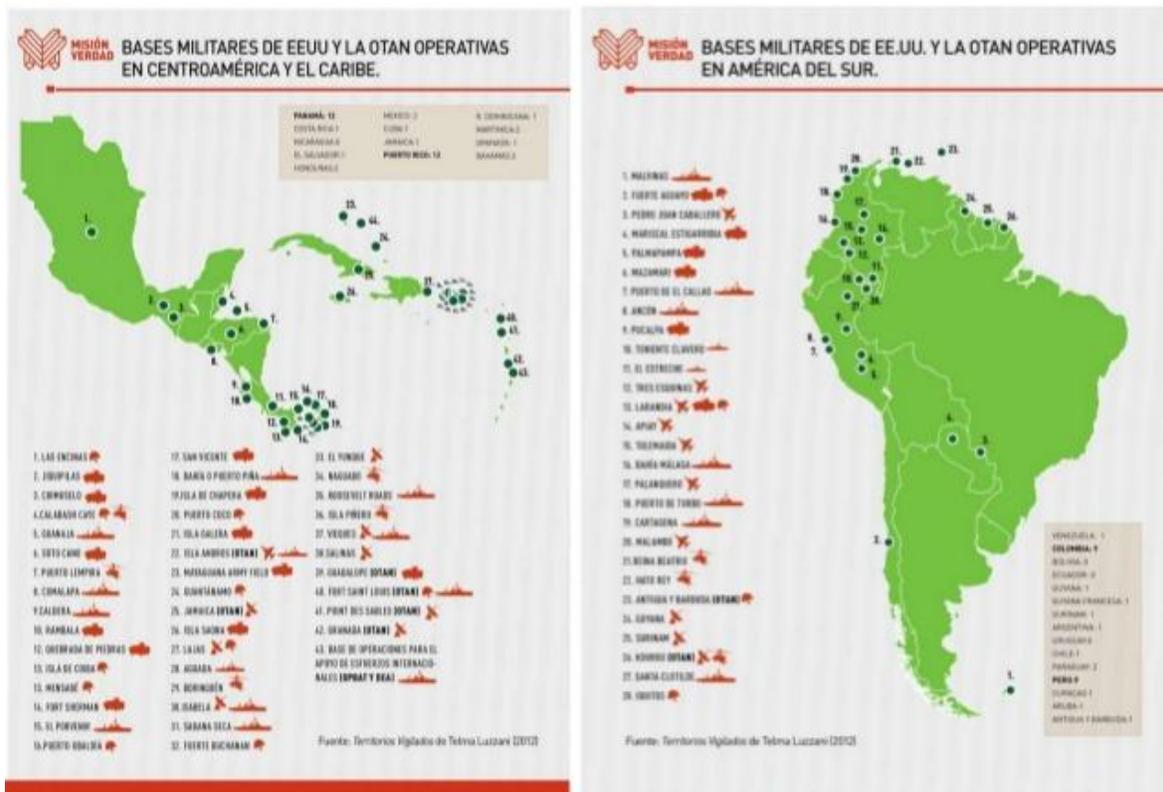


Figure 1

But also, "Maduro's decision to confiscate the General Motors plant, will be seen by the Trump Administration as an attack on the interests of US multinationals", ie, it gives the US carte blanche to "rearrange" the country in accordance with the "Roosevelt Corollary" to the Monroe Doctrine, declaring the Chavista revolution "dangerous enemy of the US". "In addition, the Chinese-Venezuelan agreement that the company petro-chemical state Sinopec will invest 14.000 million dollars to achieve a daily oil production by 200,000 barrels a day of crude in the Orinoco Oil Belt, (considered the oilfield more abundant world) would be a missile at the waterline of the global geopolitics of US (whose unequivocal goal would be to dry the energy sources of China)."¹¹

Colombia, the great American logistics aircraft carrier

The current US military doctrine states as a preliminary logistical requirement for military intervention anywhere in the world, have a "Pre-positioning system of strategic reserves ..."¹², ie, a "Prepositioning Forces" or logistical forces pre-positioned in areas or areas of influence and conflict forecast¹³(See Figure 1) as well as a "Host Nation" or host nation ("A Nation That Receives The forces and / or supplies of allied nations, coalition partners, and / or NATO Organizations to be located on, to operate in, or to transit through ITS territory. ") we know what will happen in the future, but this first and essential step has already been taken in Latin America with the addition of Colombia on the defensive structure of NATO. Colombia choice is no accident: (. Interestingly Colombia territory usurped by a revolution supported by the US ...) has coast and ports in the Caribbean and the Pacific, protects the southern border of Panama and its vital channel It has a dispute with Nicaragua Sandinista on the sovereignty of waters and islands of the Caribbean (see Figure 2), and finally, has common border with Venezuela Chavista, with which also it has a dispute over sovereignty in the Gulf of Venezuela, that is, have at stake the richness of these marine territories in oil, gas and fishing. Moreover, in case of a confrontation with

11 Ibid.

12 Doctrine for Joint Publication 4-0 Logistic Support of Joint Operations. United States Army (28/07/2008).

13 MCWP 4-1 Logistics Operations., US Marine Corps, PCN 143 00 000058 (1999).

Venezuela, with Colombia win / NATO of course occur, could aspire to again become the "Gran Colombia" of the nineteenth century.

The US decision to include a South American country in NATO is unprecedented (ITRA already exists for Latin America), indicating that you are betting with full force to maintain control of those areas of influence.

Decisión de la Corte Internacional de Justicia de La Haya (CIJ) cambia el mapa de las fronteras colombianas en 2012

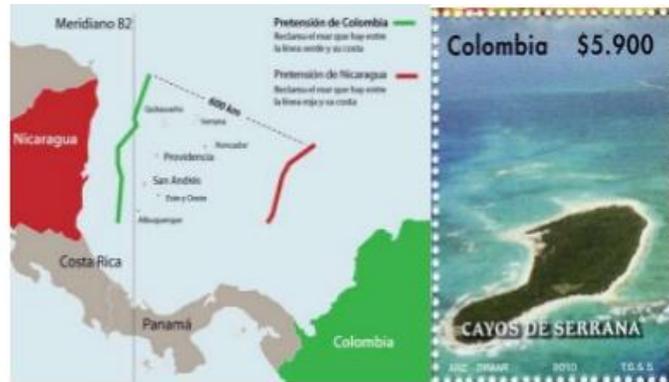


Figure 2

Is Colombia is guided by its Spanish-Catholic ethos naturally, relying on institutions like Unasur, the UN, etc ..., with the aim of reaching peaceful agreements within the Hispanic or global framework, noting "that the ideological struggle against extremism (understood as capitalism and communism) was to take place with other ideas and other measures. Attacking rather than the effects to the causes of communist subversive activity, reaffirming their decision to maintain and promote an effective social and economic, aimed at raising the living standards of their peoples policy and its conviction that only a regime founded on the guarantee of freedoms and fundamental rights of the human person, it is possible to achieve this purpose. "14? Or you will cease drag a power play, not looking for the real truth and justice of their causes, based on a hegemonic power, forcing the right and the just causes of material interests? Hopefully we are still in time to make appropriate decisions to prevent clashes between Hispanic brothers and "we announce the genesis of a new political philosophy based not on love for material goods, but in the natural law and love of neighbor, thus laying the foundation for a true Fraternocracia that allows humanity increasingly lost day, find their way to God."15

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Colombian legal structure. The education sector as an example

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According to Kelsen (1950), "the standard that determines the creation of another is superior to it; the created according to this regulation, is lower than the first (p.227), "this premise call Kelsen pyramid where you can demonstrate the priority of laws in a nation adrift." Thus, we can present the pyramid Kelsen applying in Colombia:

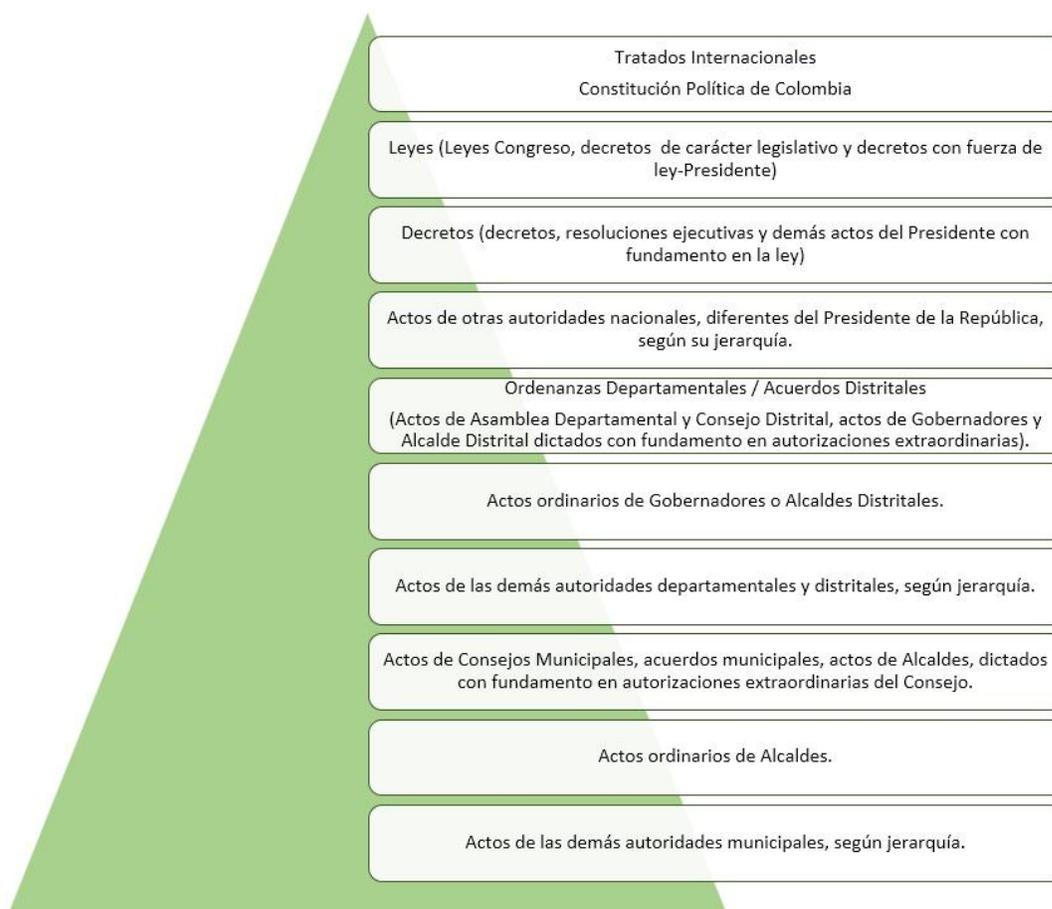


Image No. 1. Pyramid Legal or "Pyramid of Kelsen" applicable in Colombia.
Source: Adapted from Rodriguez (2008)

The diagram of the previous image is constructed from what point Colombian regulations. For example, Article 93 of the Political Constitution of Colombia says: "International treaties and conventions ratified by Congress that recognize human rights and prohibit their limitation in states of emergency prevail in domestic order." (Congress of Colombia, 1991), which determines the priority of international agreements on the Constitution itself. On the other hand, Article 4 of the Constitution of Colombia says about herself: "The Constitution is the supreme law. In any case of incompatibility between the Constitution and the law or other rule of law, constitutional provisions shall apply." (Congress of Colombia, 1991). This makes it clear that the Constitution is in this country, the highest law, the law of higher rank, the fundamental law. In this document are established the rights and obligations of all citizens (differentiating between domestic and foreign), the structure and organization of the State and also under the guidelines that the Constitution contemplates other rules approved by country.

Regarding the Laws of the Republic, the Constitution of Colombia, Article 150 states: "Congress shall make laws." (Congress of Colombia, 1991). Specifying that those laws, exerts a number of functions specified in paragraphs 25, which will not be developed here for space- economy. The Constitutional Court of Colombia (2012), states that:

In exercise of the legislative function, Congress issued, interpret, reform or repeal the law, which according to their content can be: (i) systematic codes or sets of rules that fully regulate a matter in the various branches of the -art legislation. 150, no. two-; (ii) framework laws, which are those by which dictate general rules and objectives and criteria which must be subject to the government in matters exhaustively set out in article listed. 150, no. 19; (iii) enabling laws or extraordinary powers, which are intended to cover up to six months to the President of the Republic of specific extraordinary powers to issue rules with the force of law -art. 150, no. 10-; (iv) statutory laws, by which the Congress regulates the matters set out in Article 152 of the CP; (V) organic laws, which are laws which shall be subject to the exercise of legislative activity in the areas referred to in Article 151 of the Constitution; and (vi) ordinary laws or ordinary content, not included within the field of other special laws, which are issued following the general procedures provided for in the Constitution in Articles 154 to 170 and which constitute the general rule. (S / p) not included within the field of other special laws, which are issued following the general procedures provided for in the Constitution in Articles 154 to 170 and which constitute the general rule. (S / p) not included within the field of other special laws, which are issued following the general procedures provided for in the Constitution in Articles 154 to 170 and which constitute the general rule. (S / p)

Regarding the educational subject, the Colombian legal framework is quite accurate. Starting with the Colombian Constitution, Article 67 thereof trace basic guidelines:

Education is an individual right and a public service that has a social function; her seek access to knowledge, science, technology, and other goods and values of culture.

Education will train Colombian respect for human rights, peace and democracy; and practice of work and recreation, for cultural improvement, scientific, technological and environmental protection.

The State, society and family are responsible for education, which is compulsory between five and fifteen years of age and comprise at least one year of preschool and nine years of basic education.

Education is free in state institutions, subject to the payment of school fees to those who can afford.

Is for the state to perform the final inspection and supervision of education in order to ensure their quality, compliance with its purposes and the best moral, intellectual and physical development of learners; ensure adequate coverage of the service and ensure children the necessary conditions for access and permanence in the educational system. (Congress of Colombia, 1991)

The education issue also plays in Articles 68, 69, 189 (paragraphs 21, 22 and 26) and 365. It is also important to present Article 68, because it touches different aspects of interest:

Individuals may create educational establishments. The law establishes the conditions for its creation and management.

The educational community will participate in the management of educational institutions.

The teaching will be conducted by persons of recognized ethical and pedagogical suitability. The law guarantees the professionalism and dignity of teaching.

Parents have the right to choose the kind of education for their minor children. In state institutions, no person shall be compelled to receive religious education.

(Los) members of ethnic groups are entitled to an education that respects and develops their cultural identity.

The eradication of illiteracy and education of people with physical or mental limitations or with exceptional capabilities are special obligations of the state. (Congress of Colombia, 1991)

According to the above explained on the legal pyramid, on the functions of the National Congress of Colombia, and in direct relation to the mandated by the Constitution of Colombia, the country's General Education Law or Law 115 of 1994 was issued, where precise guidelines that define it pertains to educational service given. In turn, the Executive Branch issued Decree 1860 of 1994, which regulates the law, operationalized. While the law says what the decree says how. Article 1 of the General Law of Education establishes what is the purpose of education:

Education is a lifelong process, personal, cultural and social training that is based on an integral concept of the human person, their dignity, their rights and their duties.

This Act sets out the general rules governing the Public Service Education fulfills a social function in accordance with the needs and interests of individuals, family and society. It is based on the principles of the Constitution on the right to education of every person in the freedom of teaching, learning, research and professor and as a public service.

In accordance with Article 67 of the Constitution defines and develops the organization and delivery of formal education in their preschool, elementary (primary and secondary) and mean, non-formal and informal levels, aimed at children and young people of school age , adults, farmers, ethnic groups, people with physical, sensory and mental disabilities, with exceptional abilities and persons requiring social rehabilitation.

Higher education is regulated by special law, except as provided in this Act. (Congress of Colombia, 1994)

Other laws that regulate educational issue in Colombia, are:

- Law 30/1992, which deals with higher education.
- Law 749/2002, which deals with the Technical Vocational and Technological Education.
- Decree Law 249/2004, which deals with the National Learning Service, SENA.
- Law 1064/2006, which deals with the Education for Work and Human Development.
- Law 1188/2008, which deals with the Qualified Registry.
- Law 1740/2014 on inspection and surveillance.
- Worth noting that teachers and principals, as public officials are governed by the Single Disciplinary Code or Law 734/2002.

In connection with international agreements on education, we want to highlight those inherent in the United Nations system-of which Colombia part- ago, I referred in particular to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Incidentally, this entity says:

International instruments can be divided into two categories: binding instruments, also called "hard law" and nonbinding documents or "soft law". The first category consists of Treaties (which may be in the form of Conventions, Covenants and Agreements) assumes, by States, recognition of legal obligation to these instruments. The second category consists mostly of Declarations and Recommendations provides guidelines and principles within a legal framework and also creates moral obligations. Both binding instruments and non-binding may have a regional or sub-regional level. (UNESCO, s / f)

Then the list of instruments on the right to education, accepted by the international community, categorized and in chronological order:

binding instruments

- 1946: Constitution of UNESCO.
- 1960: Convention on the Fight against Discrimination in Education.
- 1965: International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.
- 1966: International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.
- 1966: International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
- 1978: International Charter of Physical Education and Sport.
- 1981: Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.
- 1989: Convention on Technical and Vocational Education.
- 1989: Convention on the Rights of the Child.

non-binding instruments

- 1948: Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- 1959: Declaration of the Rights of the Child.
- 1967: Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.
- 1974: Recommendation on Education for International Understanding, Cooperation and Peace and Education relating to Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.
- 1990: World Declaration on Education for All: Meeting Basic Learning Needs.

- 1993: Vienna Declaration and Program of Action.
- 1997: Hamburg Declaration on Adult Education.
- 2000: Millennium Declaration of the United Nations (in English).
- 2001: Revised Recommendation concerning Technical and Vocational Education.

Programs and action plans

- 2000: Dakar Framework for Action: Education for All: Meeting Our Collective Commitments.
- 2000: Development Goals UN Millennium.

In addition to these agreements with UNESCO, Colombia has signed a number of bilateral or multilateral agreements on education, pursuing mutual benefit, allowing, encouraging, or facilitating processes. At the time of writing, it is not considered appropriate to delve into such agreements. However, it is worth mentioning that the Ministry of National Education of Colombia, has an Office of Cooperation and International Affairs, whose functions are specified in Article 10 of Decree 4675 of 2006.

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The main objective of the program is to equip participants with the knowledge and tools necessary for a soldier facing threats multidimensional characteristics, to which we add the element that their operations could be developed in the border region.



The main purpose, the Army of the Dominican Republic intends to form a Reconnaissance Platoon as a Rapid Reaction Unit with a highly qualified staff capable of handling complex situations and increase levels of operational readiness of the brigade in order to strengthen border security, provide a National decisive support not only the police in public order operations, but also to the National Drug Control as to combat drug trafficking and the Ministry of Environment for the protection and safeguarding of natural resources and support SAR operations.

The training program as such, included 14 academic blocks, the first of them, the general subjects, where not only was taught the first major aid but also, Moral and Civic, Law Immigration and Customs, Environment and Natural Resources law on drugs and controlled substances, International Humanitarian law, Geography of the region, the most important tools of the Criminal Procedure Code in the interests of full respect for fundamental rights and the debit process of law.

Similarly the airmobile operations are covered, since it is one of the main tools to combat the depredation of forest and other no less important tasks. concerning matters were given to all organic weapons available to the brigade including high caliber. water operations, developed in Bani boilers Naval Base were made.

A novel block, covered the border land operations, which included a seminar on these issues at the School of Border Training Land of the Specialized Border Security (CESFRONT) Body and from there patrolling in the same border, where students could learn the border north from the border pyramid No. 1, through the Army as military detachments Slaughter Sanchez, Watcher, Colonia Libertador, Don Miguel, tamarind, Peñita, Capotillo among others.

With regard to counternarcotics operations, there have been two (02) seminars on drugs and controlled in this unit with the support of the National Drug Control Directorate (DNCD) substances.

It has run a seminar for the Environment, as well as one of Aduanal process and laws against smuggling. two (02) Conference on Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law recently taught with the participation of more than 250 soldiers in both events.

Finally it is emphasized that, in the first infantry brigade, as a military career, sustain the criterion and so we have manifested in various scenarios, both academic and protocol, that with the enactment of the

Constitution of January 26, 2010 it is inferred from its innovative conception of defense, security and new roles in the military, the obligation to restate the goals of doctrinal character, where training, training and education are inserted as medullary axes to reach the profile of the professional military in future generations.

For these reasons, all the actions in this neuralgic functional area, has not been the result of a cyclical invention, but rather the design of a mechanism based on a critical reasoning is framed within a strategic alignment and coming cascaded from the National Military Strategy Military Strategic Objective number 4 (OEM 4) to the 2015 Work Plan 1st. Brigade, whose political figure soldier epicenter in decision-making, not only to improve their quality of life, but to also to improve levels of readiness in the operation of force.



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