

An overview on the dynamics of Hugo Chavez, Fidel Castro, terrorism and its international supporters.

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[London 22.11.04] The purpose of this paper is twofold. Firstly to analyse the existing relationship between Fidel Castro and Hugo Chavez and to show the ideological, political, financial and personal evidence that demonstrates, beyond reasonable doubt, that indeed Chavez' revolution is modelled on a Castroite method of governance, based on brutal repression of human rights as established in the International Human Right Declaration. Secondly to explore into the international support base of the duality Chavez-Castro.

Chavez, Castro et al on the press

Carlos the Jackal, the world's most famous imprisoned terrorist, has become an unlikely human rights cause in his native Venezuela... it was revealed that Venezuela's recently elected president, Hugo Chavez, had written him a letter of solidarity, addressing him as 'distinguished compatriot'. **Compatriots call for Jackal's freedom** | Alex Bellos in Caracas, Guardian Foreign Pages; Pg. 12. May 31, 1999. The Guardian (London)

"We have a commitment to this citizen especially to guarantee that his human rights are respected" Hugo Chavez on Carlos "The Jackal" as cited by Richard Gott Pg. 17 of the Guardian October 22, 2001

VENEZUELA'S president Hugo Chavez arrived in Iraq for the first face-to-face meeting of a head of state with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein since the 1991 Gulf War. Lloyd's List August 11, 2000

The current Latin American context does not bode well for a peaceful transition. In petroleum-rich Venezuela, Castro has a new ally in the populist demagogue Hugo Chavez, whose cheap oil keeps Cuba running. Chavez is quietly wrecking the economy while preparing the inevitable coup. In neighbouring Columbia, the peace process has broken down with the FARC, the pseudo-Marxist warlords who supply America's cocaine habit. The FARC are backed by a bizarre consortium of allies, including Fidel, Chavez and Gerry Adams's Sinn Fein-IRA, who supply weapons training. George Kerevan in The Scotsman, December 21, 2001, Friday

Colombian rebels are being protected in neighbouring Venezuela, where President Hugo Chavez is being advised by Cuban and Russian security agents. An official in the Caracas intelligence service resigned last week after complaining publicly about Venezuela's support for Farc. "The policy is more than just irregular, it approaches treason," said Egui Bastidas. Tony Allen-Mills Washington, February 24, 2002, Sunday Times (London)

How Customs tracked down a passenger with a grenade | Any flight from Bogota, the capital of cocaine-rich Colombia, and Caracas, a favoured meeting place for drugs- traffickers, is a target for the mobile team patrolling the airport. The team leader scanned the passenger list and compared it with a profile of likely smugglers drawn up by intelligence officers. As the 37-year-old Venezuelan walked through the green channel, two officers quietly pulled him aside and began to look through his luggage. Stewart Tandler and Ben Webster, February 15, 2003. The Times (London)

According to Colombian intelligence reports, guerrillas operate at least two camps in Venezuela, where rebels are given weapons and explosives training. Colombian military sources claim that guerrillas obtain guns from corrupt Venezuelan military officers in exchange for cocaine. They say about 20 per cent of captured guerrilla weapons are stamped with Venezuelan Military Industry markings. Captured guerrillas and deserters have confirmed the reports. One defector, an 18-year-old commander with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (Farc), said she had travelled in and out of Venezuela at will, visiting Farc bases and training new recruits in Venezuela. "The guerrilla (commanders) are counting on Venezuela for their victory," she said. David Adams in

Arauca, Colombia, April 2, 2003 The Times (London)

MI6 AGENTS are fighting a secret war in the jungle of Venezuela to stop Al Qaeda running huge quantities of guns and cocaine to Britain. The guns originally came from Cuba's arsenal of Soviet weapons provided during the Cold War and given to the Marxist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, FARC. Its 20,000 guerrillas recently received updated weapons from North Korea, which arrived on fishing boats off the virtually unguarded coastline of Venezuela. From there they were carried to FARC bases on the border with Colombia. EXCLUSIVE From Gordon Thomas in Cartagena, Colombia. NEWS; Pg. 36 November 9, 2003 Sunday Express

Dozens of Basque immigrants demonstrated outside Venezuela's attorney general's office in Caracas to protest against the deportation of an alleged member of the Basque separatist group ETA. Wales on Sunday, NEWS; Pg. 30, June 9, 2002,

IRA part of world terror network, says the US | Three alleged Provos captured in Bogota last summer face charges of supplying mortars and providing explosives training to the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (Farc). Farc had close links to the Venezuelan government of Hugo Chavez, who was toppled by a military coup on Thursday, and had been supplied with arms and ammunition by the regime. IRA members are thought to have fled from Colombia through Venezuela after the arrests of James Monaghan, Martin McAuley and Niall Connolly in August. Monaghan and McAuley both have IRA convictions and Sinn Fein has admitted, after initially denying, that Connolly, who has no convictions, was their representative in Cuba. The Chavez regime counted Cuban and Russian agents among its advisers. By Toby Harnden in Washington, THE DAILY TELEGRAPH (LONDON), April 13, 2002, Saturday, Pg. 11

Clash over Cuba with OAS leader | ...The rhetoric grew heated early in the lunch, when Gaviria explained the circumstances around his petition for Castro's help to free his brother, observers said. Juan Carlos Gaviria, an architect, was held hostage for more than two months by pro-Castro Colombian guerrillas. He was freed after Gaviria made an appeal to Castro to intercede. The Cuban leader sent two envoys to negotiate the release and arranged for the safe passage of eight of the guerrillas to relocate in Cuba. Gaviria, who has said he is "personally grateful" for Castro's help, denied that it compromised his role as secretary general of an organization that suspended Cuba three decades ago. Thursday, September 26, 1996, in the Miami Herald, By CHRISTOPHER MARQUIS

Costa Rican authorities would later reveal that a man fitting his description entered their country using a false Venezuelan passport under the name Manuel Antonio Rodriguez. But Venezuela's Foreign Ministry says it had no record of anyone entering the country under that name, or Vladimiro Montesinos for that matter. It adds that Venezuela would "immediately" deport Montesinos to Peru if he were found. There are, however, those who say that the Venezuelan Government may know more than it is prepared to admit, pointing out that Venezuela is an ideal hiding place for someone in Montesinos's situation. "He's got money, and in Venezuela anything's for sale if you know the right people," says Dennis Jett, a former US Ambassador to Peru who met Montesinos on several occasions at official functions. Peruvian officials have, moreover, openly expressed their suspicions that the Venezuelan Government of Hugo Chavez, a former coup leader with close ties to Peru's military, is protecting Montesinos. Chavez's credentials add weight to these claims, for he has made a habit of shocking his neighbours. Significantly, links between Chavez's Venezuela and Peru go back at least to 1992. Peruvian investigators believe that Montesinos is being protected as a return favour by several former Venezuelan military officers who fled to Peru after a failed coup attempt by Chavez followers that year. The group was given asylum and lived for two years in comfortable exile at the expense of the Peruvian Government. Peruvian officials were further convinced of Montesinos's whereabouts after an employee at the Caracas clinic of a plastic surgeon described seeing a man resembling Montesinos. His presence was confirmed when photographs of

Montesinos taken before the surgery were leaked to a newspaper in Caracas. **Biggest heist in history ...** | David Adams, May 3, 2001, Thursday. The Times (London)

En una entrevista concedida al periodista cubano Luis Baez, Chavez describio asi lo que siente por Fidel Castro: "En la carcel lei mucho La historia me absolvera, sus discursos y entrevistas... Saben que le pedi a Dios en la carcel?: 'Dios mio, quiero conocer a Fidel, cuando salga y tenga la libertad para hablar, para decir quien soy y que pienso". Y luego confiesa: "Fidel para mi es un padre, un companero, un maestro de la estrategia perfecta. Algun dia habra que escribir tantas cosas de todo esto que estamos viviendo y de los encuentros que he tenido con el...". **Editorial Diez años de amistad** | Internacional; Base; Pg. 8 El Pais, October 20, 2004

"I read a lot "History will absolve me" Fidel's discourses and interviews... You know what I asked God for whilst in prison? My God, I want to meet Fidel, once out and with liberty to speak, to say who am I and what do I think. Fidel for me is a father, a companion, a master of the perfect strategy. Some day there will be so much to write about the things we're living and the encounters I have had with him..."

Hugo Chavez is infatuated with Fidel Castro.

Fidel for me is a father, a companion, a master of the perfect strategy... Chavez' words speak for themselves. His infatuation with the Cuban dictator began long before his ascent to Venezuela's presidency. That Chavez is Fidel Castro's greatest admirer and most benevolent supporter after the fall of communist Russia, there should not be any doubt. To Chavez' own account, he shares a great deal of convictions, beliefs and ideals with Castro. There are an estimated 25.000 Cubans working presently in Venezuela under the guises of sport trainers, teachers and health workers. The Cuban G2 is believed to have permeated all structures of power in Venezuela. The signing of the Caracas Accord between Cuba and Venezuela on October 30 2000, provided for a most potent 'diplomatic tool' to leverage anew the lost political clout of Castro in the region via his apprentice. It should be borne in mind that Cuba receives from Venezuela upwards of 53.000 barrels of oil per day in extremely favourable conditions. So beneficial are the said conditions, that Cuba owes Venezuela more than \$1 billion since the agreement came to force for repayments have, to date, been made 'in kind', that is to say intelligence, pseudo sport trainers and doctors. In that way Chavez, and his financially revived idol, bought themselves the leniency, votes and support of Jamaica, Barbados, Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and the Dominican Republic at the OAS.

Castro and the FARC

Various journalists have quoted quite repetitively over the years a link between Castro and the FARC. The most patent example of Castro's ascent over FARC leaders was his involvement in the liberation of former Colombian president Cesar Gaviria's brother in 1996. That Fidel Castro is a totalitarian dictator, who has oppressed the Cuban people for more than four decades and who has sought to destabilise a number of countries around the world, there ought to be no doubt. The Colombian terrorists group FARC have being influenced and to a certain extent indoctrinated by Castro and his agents.

Chavez and the FARC

High military officers from the Venezuelan army have informed Chavez about the presence of guerrilla camps in Venezuela. Specific geographical coordinates and reports in that respect have been given to Chavez. General Nestor Gonzalez Gonzalez, commander of the military garrison of La Fria, produced a detailed report about guerrilla activities after having conducted operations of aerial reconnaissance in the area. Gonzalez met personally with Hugo Chavez in El Vigia on

February 11 2002 to discuss the situation. General Manuel Rosendo confirms receipt of the said investigation on February 13 2001. In spite of the evidence gathered and the detailed locations of guerrilla camps identified in Rio de Oro, Casigua El Cubo, Rio Lora, Rio Atapsi and other areas of Sierra de Perija, Chavez and his high military command decided to turn a blind eye on the situation and no further action was taken. [<http://venezuelatoday.net/sites/UBEVET1W/files/CU-1-220.pdf>]. This by no means is a solitary case; the Colombian army has been denouncing the issue of the guerrillas taken refuge in Venezuela to no avail.

Chavez and human rights violations

In this instance one must let the events and evidence speak for itself:

- Amnesty International reports [<http://web.amnesty.org/library/eng-ven/index&start=31>]
- Human Rights Watch reports [<http://hrw.org/doc/?t=americas&c=venezu>]
- Inter American Commission on Human Rights reports [<http://www.cidh.org/countryrep/Venezuela2003eng/toc.htm>]
- International Society for Human Rights and the Andrei Sajarov Foundation [<http://www.vcrisis.com/?content=letters/200403051429>]
- COFAVIC report [<http://www.cofavic.org.ve/situacion.htm>]
- PROVEA report [http://www.derechos.org.ve/publicaciones/infanual/2003_04/index.htm]
- Red de Veedores [<http://www.veedores.org/nodos/veelectoral/index.htm>]
- List of missing, assassinated and political prisoners of Venezuela [<http://www.vcrisis.com/index.php?content=letters/200403020624>]

Chavez' international support

The aforementioned sets the stage quite neatly to give a flavour of who Hugo Chavez is, who his friends are and what sort of political plan he envisages for Venezuela and the region. One could also add that Chavez made his debut in the political scene of the country in February 1992 when he planned and commanded a coup d'état. Having failed -the enterprise of overthrowing the government of Carlos Andres Perez- the first time, his military companions tried a second attempt in November of the same year. However grave and evident Chavez' trail of violence, terrorism and utter disrespect towards democratic precepts is, he still commands a considerable fan base in Venezuela and abroad. Awash with oil money he has given a new meaning to the term populism. In recent electoral events vast sums of money were spent without any form of accountability and control with the purpose of mustering support by means of cash hand outs. Ergo, in a country where 80% of the population is estimated to be living in poverty, someone who engages in such largesse is well liked by most people.

Internationally Chavez is perceived by leftists and chronic anti establishment figures with much romanticism. In Europe and the USA one can see how important news outlets, such as the BBC, Le Monde Diplomatique and the New York Times, keep hammering upon the argument that Chavez is the great saviour of the Venezuelan dispossessed, which to an extent is true. What comes as a shock, to the learned about current Venezuelan issues, is the absolute absence of criticism vis-à-vis a) violations to human rights; b) links to terrorist organizations and c); utter encroachment to democratic precepts endemic to rogue states. In an era where the world seems to be divided between those who condemn and fight terrorism and those who flirt with the concept of ending savage capitalism and globalization by ignoring the presence and dangers of terrorists, Chavez has establish himself as the leading voice of the resentful and a beacon of anti Americanism. Such stance has gained him a great deal of support. A clear distinction needs be made though; inflammable rhetoric does not change or alter in any manner mountains of evidence. Thus shouting anti establishment mantras in public spiels in Caracas' Avenida Bolivar does not preclude the fact that Chavez, a criminal himself, has adopted a policy of alignment with outlaws who only seek to destabilise,

destroy and ransack our nation at the expense of the ever so prostituted argument of the instauration of a truly participatory democracy.

Legislation to curb and counteract terrorism has been passed in the USA and other countries. Not only those who commit abominable acts can be prosecuted, those who aid and abet with terrorists should also be subject of minute investigation and prosecution under criminal laws.

Hence one must denounce in the strongest possible terms those supporting –internationally- the terrorist regime spearheaded by Hugo Chavez. Said aid refers to:

1. lobbying activities to influence policy towards Venezuela;
2. dissemination of the regime's propaganda;
3. tergiversation of reality about specific issues, such as human rights abuses;
4. unfounded and false accusations made against groups that oppose Hugo Chavez;
5. promotion of hatred and political prosecution, as established by the Rome Statute.

In that light, attention needs to be brought upon individuals whose activism and defence of Hugo Chavez in the international arena have generated an enormous amount of sympathy towards the neofascist Venezuelan leader abroad whilst internally NGO representatives and political opponents are systematically prosecuted.

Eva Golinger's name appears as the registrar of a DOMESTIC NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION by the name of VENEZUELA SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE IN NEW YORK INC. registered in the said city of New York. Golinger seems to be the acting director of said NGO [1]

Golinger is featured prominently in a website entitled VENEZUELAFOIA.INFO, which has been registered according to WHOIS by BIGWOOD, JEREMY E. [2]

In the said website one can read the following information:

This site is funded by the Venezuela Solidarity Committee/National Venezuela Solidarity Network ("VSC"), a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing accurate information about social and political developments in Venezuela [2].

Bigwood goes on to make rather subjective interpretations of events in Venezuela that are clearly divorced from what the above paragraph states by affirming:

About this site: VenezuelaFOIA.info is dedicated to investigating the depth and breadth of recent US meddling in Venezuela by examining information obtained through the US Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), news stories, and other material.

On April 11-12, 2002 there was a short-lived military coup against Hugo Chávez, the popularly-elected president of Venezuela. The Bush administration (which, unlike the Chávez government, was not popularly elected) openly supported the coup until it heard complaints from other elected presidents in the region - and when it became clear that the coup would not succeed. It is still unclear exactly how much US government involvement there was in the coup or when US government support for it started, and from exactly which USG entities that this support came. On this site we will examine the evidence, using similar historical events for comparison.

If we examine other US-sponsored coups in Latin America, such as that of Guatemala in 1954, and especially Chile before the fall of Allende, and US behavior during the Nicaraguan war of the 1980s, we invariably find a multi-tracked US policy combining donations of money to create and then support opposition groups, the upper classes and a pro-US press along with the military. US economic support usually takes a variety of forms and often the larger funds of its covert support are hidden behind small amounts of token "open support". Historically, the US has also sought to buy the support of key officers within the security and military forces.

We are analyzing this issue because US meddling in countries that do not threaten its real national security is not only extremely destructive to democratic concepts of self-determination in those countries affected, but also sullies the reputation of the US, and the concept of democracy on a global level. – jb

In one section one can also read in the said website how the VSC urges American people to help Venezuela by engaging in the following activities [appendix 1]:

Receive e-mail updates and Action Alerts

Write an article, op-ed, or letter to the editor

Write a letter to my U.S. Representative or Senator

Organize a presentation or film screening in my community

Become a member of the National Venezuela Solidarity Network

(\$25.00 donation is tax deductible, make a \$50-100 donation and receive video documentary about the April 2002 coup)

Join a delegation going to Venezuela

Lobbying members of the Senate in the USA is explicitly prohibited to individuals not registered with the FARA unit. The sentence “Write a letter to my US Representative or Senator” leaves no doubt upon the goals of the VSC to influence foreign policy vis-à-vis Venezuela. Moreover the following appeal to “organize a presentation or film screening in my community” of propaganda material provided for by the Venezuelan regime through the VSC, constitutes clear evidence of violations to legislation.

Section 22 U.S.C. 611, et seq. of the Foreign Agent Registration Act provides definitions for “Agents of Foreign governments” and activities which conform what is perceived as lobbying among other things [3].

Section 18 U.S.C.A. § 951, in contemplating the legal requirements that need be filed by agents of a foreign government with the Attorney General Office, emphasizes upon “...is an agent of Cuba or any other country that the President determines (and so reports to the Congress) poses a threat to the national security interest of the United States for purposes of this section...” [sic] [4].

Is it not true that Hugo Chavez, President of Venezuela, has become the closest ally of Fidel Castro? Further, would it be not correct to stress upon the fact that very many institutions of Venezuela may be controlled by Cuban G2 operatives –as part of the 25.000 human contingent that Castro has sent to Chavez for logistical purposes? [5]

On a separate note the Department of the Treasury of the Inland Revenue Service has strict regulations as to the lobbying and political activities that are permitted to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations. Please read the following excerpts in that respect [6]:

An organization will be regarded as attempting to influence legislation if it contacts, or urges the public to contact, members or employees of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting, or opposing legislation, or if the organization advocates the adoption or rejection of legislation.

Under the Internal Revenue Code, all section 501(c)(3) organizations are absolutely prohibited from directly or indirectly participating in, or intervening in, any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for elective public office.

Whereas the aforementioned can be construed to relate to political and lobbying activities intrinsic to the internal politics of the US, it can be argued that urging the public to write Senators and Congressmen to put pressure on foreign policy making and disseminating official propaganda –such as the film “The Revolution will not be televised”- may not, under any circumstances, be perceived as normal activities of a non-profit organization created with the aim of “providing accurate information about the social and political developments in Venezuela” [sic], for the source of the said information is a government that has had no qualms in expressing repetitively its hate towards the US. On the issue of influencing the internal political dynamics of the US, Golinger published an open letter to Sen. John Kerry in Venezuelanalysis, which came accompanied by a petition online for Sen. Kerry to retract his statements about Hugo Chavez. Her signature is the second one in a list of more than 4.000. This letter was reposted in a number of leftist spin outlets, as seen in Google [7].

Golinger received payments in the second semester of 2.003 for legal work performed at the request of the Venezuela Information Office in Washington. At the time of the receipt of the payment –that amounted to less than \$10.000 by her own admission- Golinger was not legally registered as an attorney in the BAR of her native New York, neither existed records of her in the BAR association of Washington DC. As a matter of fact she sat and passed the NY BAR exam on February 2.004. How could she had charged monies for legal work without being properly registered is something that needs to be investigated with the staff of the Venezuela Information Office (VIO) [8].

According to log activities filed by the VIO, Golinger makes part of an editorial quick-response team, responsible for counteracting articles and editorials published in the US media that are unfavourable to the Chavez regime. Golinger is also a member of the editorial board of a officially funded news website, called Venezuelanalysis.com [9].

Nowadays Golinger seems to spend most of her time in Venezuela, where she has been interviewed ad nauseam in the state information outlets. The core issue of her interviews is the funding that the US government has given to NGOs and political parties of Venezuela via governmental entities, such as the National Endowment for Democracy. Golinger’s role has become to be the centrepiece of a smearing campaign against members of the opposition to Chavez, whom -needs be stressed- are being prosecuted on trumped up charges based on the allegations of Golinger [10].

As a matter of fact, current Venezuelan legislation contains not provisions or explicit prohibitions (unlike the US and other countries) for political parties and NGOs for the acceptance of foreign funding. Moreover, foreign funding to political parties or candidates running for office is permitted so long as the contributions are duly reported by the administrative entity with the appropriate authorities, which in this case is the National Electoral Council [11].

Precedent shows that former Interior Minister and Chavez’ mentor Luis Miquilena, failed to report – as head of Chavez’ presidential campaign finance department, roughly \$1.5 million that the Spanish Bank BBVA donated to Chavez in 1.999. This issue, although illegal, was never investigated by the Attorney General’s Office, in spite of denouncements in that respect [12].

That Golinger devotes most of her time to provide biased information to the US public, which ultimately she and other governmental employees of the regime keep producing in Venezuela and the US, is certain. Whereas spin activities are no crime, measures should be taken in regards to the lobbying activities of purportedly non-profit organizations, that have been created solely with the purpose of influencing foreign policy towards Venezuela while hiding behind innocent guises [13]. What’s more, the alliance of Chavez and Castro is no secret. The mutual infatuation of the FARC and Chavez has also being demonstrated by lack of

decisive actions from the Venezuelan regime in that respect. Intelligence reports have been

disregarded by Hugo Chavez, who in more than one occasion has been briefed about it [14]. Golinger is one of the very few chosen foreigners who can call to Chavez live television rants and actually speak to the nation during his programmes. Her so called independent investigations of NED grants have gained her the sympathy of Chavez himself. Ergo the US administration should be well advised to examine carefully the endeavours of this person.

In a time when terrorism is an ever growing menace, supporters, allies, so called ‘independent collaborators’ and employees of terrorist regimes ought to be under surveillance at all times.

To conclude a remark by Golinger that encapsulates rather neatly her ambitions and goals:

By using the Freedom of Information Act here in the U.S., which, I must add, is not as revealing as it may seem, I am exposing a foreign government’s intervention in internal matters in Venezuela, as well as participation in an ongoing campaign to prematurely remove a democratically-elected President from office...

One has to guess whether Golinger has ever read article 72 of the Venezuelan constitution...
Further information [15]

Summarising:

- 1) Golinger has received payments from the Venezuelan regime in the past [email 1].
- 2) Golinger has received special protection from the Venezuelan regime in the past after purportedly having received death threats [email 2].
- 3) Golinger has a special relationship with the high spheres of power of the Venezuelan regime, to the point that she gets to call Chavez to his weekly televised rants and the neofascist leader actually lets her speak to the nation [email 3].
- 4) Golinger accusations of interventionism and imperialism are void and vitiated with nullity for she is hell bent in making up a case whereby Venezuelan politicians and members of NGOs are prosecuted for something that is not illegal in Venezuela but rather in the USA. That is to say, she wants for Sumate and others to be prosecuted for having accepted foreign monies, which again, is illegal in the USA but perfectly legal in Venezuela [16].
- 5) Golinger is interfering in the internal political affairs of Venezuela by way of promoting prosecution against political opponents of Chavez.
- 6) Golinger is spearheading an international smearing campaign against a civic NGO that has committed no crime under the laws of the land [17].

Footnotes

[1]

http://appsext5.dos.state.ny.us/corp_public/display_entity?p_nameid=2920755&p_corpid=2921626&p_name_type=A&p_search_type=CONTAINS&p_request=1&p_entity_name=VENEZUELA%20SOLIDARITY%20COMMITTEE%20IN%20NEW%20YORK%20INC.&p_entity_name_input=VENEZUELA%20SOLIDARITY%20COMMITTEE

[2] <http://www.venezuelafoia.info>

I do have a non-profit organization, established legally under the laws of New York State, but it has never received a penny from any government, including that of Venezuela. Any measly income the non-profit has earned has come from private donations of individuals, primarily US citizens, interested in supporting efforts to “accurately inform the US community about social and political

developments related to Venezuela.” In this sense, funds from the non-profit were used to finance my webpage, www.venezuelafoia.info , and I can assure you, as an attorney, I keep clear records of all deposits, withdrawals and purchases made with funds from the non-profit. I have no interest in evading or violating regulations or hiding absolutely anything from anyone. In fact, I have nothing to hide.

[3] <http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/fara/FaraIndx.htm>

[4] <http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/fara/18usc.htm>

[5] <http://www.google.com/search?q=castro+ally+chavez&hl=en&lr=&start=0&sa=N>

[6] <http://www.irs.gov/charities/charitable/article/0,,id=120703,00.html>

[7] <http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&lr=&q=golinger+kerry&btnG=Search>

[8] <http://caracaschronicles.blogspot.com/2004/05/eva-golinger-foreign-moneydouble.html>

<http://www.vcrisis.com/index.php?content=letters/200406041251>

[9] <http://www.vcrisis.com/index.php?content=letters/200406211040>

[10] <http://www.google.com/search?q=venpres+golinger&hl=en&lr=&start=0&sa=N>

[11] <http://www.vcrisis.com/index.php?content=letters/200411140935>

[12] <http://www.proveo.org/bgarzon.pdf> [pages 5 & 7]

[13] <http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&lr=&q=%22eva+golinger%22&btnG=Search>

[14] <http://venezuelatoday.net/raw-data.html>

<http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&lr=&q=+castro+chavez&btnG=Search>

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http://www.vcrisis.com/index.php?search=Search&query_string=golinger&limit=10&option=start

[16] <http://www.vcrisis.com/index.php?content=letters/200411161749>

[17] As the attorney leading the investigation of the CIA and the US Government involvement in the coup and in the ongoing destabilization campaign in Venezuela, I will continue with the strength of Danilo in my investigations and my work. Eva Golinger’s dictum.

http://www.axisoflogic.com/artman/publish/article_13738.shtml

<http://www.google.com/search?q=golinger+ned&sourceid=firefox&start=0&start=0&ie=utf-8&oe=utf-8>

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Emails

Email 1

From: Eva Golinger
Sent: 15/07/2004 13:12
To: A. Boyd
Subject: Lying and falsifying yet again

I made it very clear that yes, I did some minor legal work for the VIO last year (2003), briefly, but the compensation was very minimal. As you can see, it was so minimal that a mere \$380 appears in the files you have. My response previously to El Universal about the possible total amount received was merely to show the massive discrepancy and difference between any compensation for legal work I may have received and that of Mr. William Pepper, who received above \$100,000.

Email 2
From: Eva Golinger
Sent: 15/07/2004 14:29
To: A. Boyd
Subject: Re: Lying and falsifying yet again

I can tell you that if in the US, if a public figure from abroad visiting the US received death threats and reported them, s/he would most likely receive protective measures, courtesy of the US government and/or local police department.

In an email received the same day at an earlier time (15/07/2004 13:12) in response to my question -why would the government take responsibility to safeguard you and your life when it has failed to do so with thousands of other people?- Golinger wrote: I highly doubt that any right-minded thinking person would agree with your point of view that being put up in a hotel for 2 nights due to safety reasons is considered 'funding'.

Email 3
From: xx
Sent: Sunday, July 11, 2004 1:33 PM
To: A. Boyd
Subject: Eva Golinger

Right now Eva Golinger is talking to Chávez in Aló Presidente. She just called supposedly. She is saying the plan Consenso País was made in Washington, and she got the evidence under a law. She and Jeremy Birdwood got the papers, and is saying the papers showed the opposition was so incompetent that they needed to receive the platform from Washington, and the person chosen to lead are people like Rocío Guíjarro, and Oscar García Mendoza, president of Liderazgo y Visión, who signed Carmona's decree.

Appendix 1

How YOU Can Help VENEZUELA

- () Receive e-mail updates and Action Alerts
- () Write an article, op-ed, or letter to the editor
- () Write a letter to my U.S. Representative or Senator
- () Organize a presentation or film screening in my community
- () Become a member of the National Venezuela Solidarity Network
(\$25.00 donation is tax deductible, make a \$50-100 donation and receive video documentary about the April 2002 coup)

() Join a delegation going to Venezuela

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

For tax-deductible donations, make checks payable to Venezuela Solidarity Committee

Return this form to: National Venezuela Solidarity Network

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