

# Press Releases: Acting Secretary Sullivan's Meeting With Venezuelan Civil Society

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Acting Secretary of State John J. Sullivan and USAID Administrator Mark Green met today with representatives from Venezuelan civil society on the margins of the Summit of the Americas in Lima, Peru.

The Acting Secretary and the Administrator applauded Venezuelan civil society's courageous defense of human rights and democracy in their country. They also recognized the importance of civil society representatives working together to empower Venezuelan youth and to document and raise awareness about repression in Venezuela, including the rising number of political prisoners.

Acting Secretary Sullivan reaffirmed U.S. support for the Venezuelan people and their right to elect their representatives through free and fair elections.

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