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"In our times, humanity is facing problems that transcend the decisive issues put forward by Bolívar as essential for the lives of the peoples of our hemisphere, which unfortunately were not timely resolved, as he had wished. It is our duty to actively seek for solutions to the dramatic problems currently facing the world that put in jeopardy the survival of even the human specie".

References to the original: <u>UPON PRESENTATION OF THE ORDER OF THE CONGRESS OF ANGOSTURA</u>, <u>AT BOLIVAR SQUARE, BOLIVAR CITY, VENEZUELA, August 11, 2001</u>