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Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jorge Arreaza denounced on Tuesday the ongoing blockade imposed by the U.S. administration on the Bolivarian Republic.

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Arreaza highlighted the fact that the U.S. blockade has prevented the Venezuelan government from accessing hundreds of million dollars of its own money; this money would have allowed the Bolivarian Republic to purchase basic necessities like medicine and food.

Through his Twitter account on Tuesday, Arreaza tweeted that the U.S. comments about sanctions not preventing the acquisition of basic necessities as "an immense lie" concocted by Washington to hide the inhumanity of their blockade.

"The financial system is controlled and threatened by Washington; they close the accounts and bank routes of Venezuela without contemplation," Arreaza said.

Last April, Arreaza told the United Nations that the U.S. administration was committing serious human rights violations through their ongoing financial blockade. Arreaza said that the Trump administration was purposely misappropriating Venezuelan assets in order to punish the



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