

**The Truth Took to  
the Streets Feb-12**

**Venezuela's  
political scene.**

**Beginning of 2014**

# Physicians protest

January 30



# **Demonstrations in Táchira state February 7**





# **Demonstrations in Mérida state**

**February 7**







# Journalists, 02-11-2014



**Even their own  
people react to  
injustices:**





# PDVSA



**Opression. That is the word that best describes the situation in which Venezuelans seeking change find themselves. Deprivation of freedom suffered by students, who merely wanted to exercise their right to peaceful protest, is proof of this claim.**



**Owing to utterly unjust events taking place over the past few days against students, and which resulted in their incarceration, it was decided to call for a peaceful march, in order to demand the liberation of all unlawfully detained university students.**



**(In English: Feb-12 Unity in the Streets. Great National Protest!)**

**The massive mobilization was summoned, in connection with the 200th anniversary of Youth Day (February 12), at 10:00 am in Plaza Venezuela (Venezuela Square).**

# Actívate

En la calle es donde el pueblo se reconoce





**The gathering was multitudinous.  
This serves to prove the profound  
displeasure that a major part of  
Venezuelans feel towards this  
despotic government.**







**This massive protest was replicated across most of the country, with the aim to receive an answer from the government.**





Táchira



Zulia



Valencia



Mérida



Pto. Ordaz



Anzoátegui

**Opposition leaders accompanied students at the gathering, and then in the mobilization. They provided active support to the students' nonviolent actions, and further invited people not to be afraid of the present regime's authoritarianism.**





**The march reached the office of the Public Prosecutor. The goal was to deliver a document making the case for the release of our STUDENTS, who were intimidated by the national government.**





**The mobilization ended at 2:00 p.m., with no answer from the Public Prosecutor, after opposition leaders urged everyone to return home.**

**Until that moment,  
the struggle had  
been peaceful.**

# **Office of the Public Prosecutor (adjacencies)**

**Around 3:00pm**



**Armed men in motorcycles  
fired shots at the crowd as  
soon as the demonstration  
ended.**

Confirmed by AFP photographer – El Universal

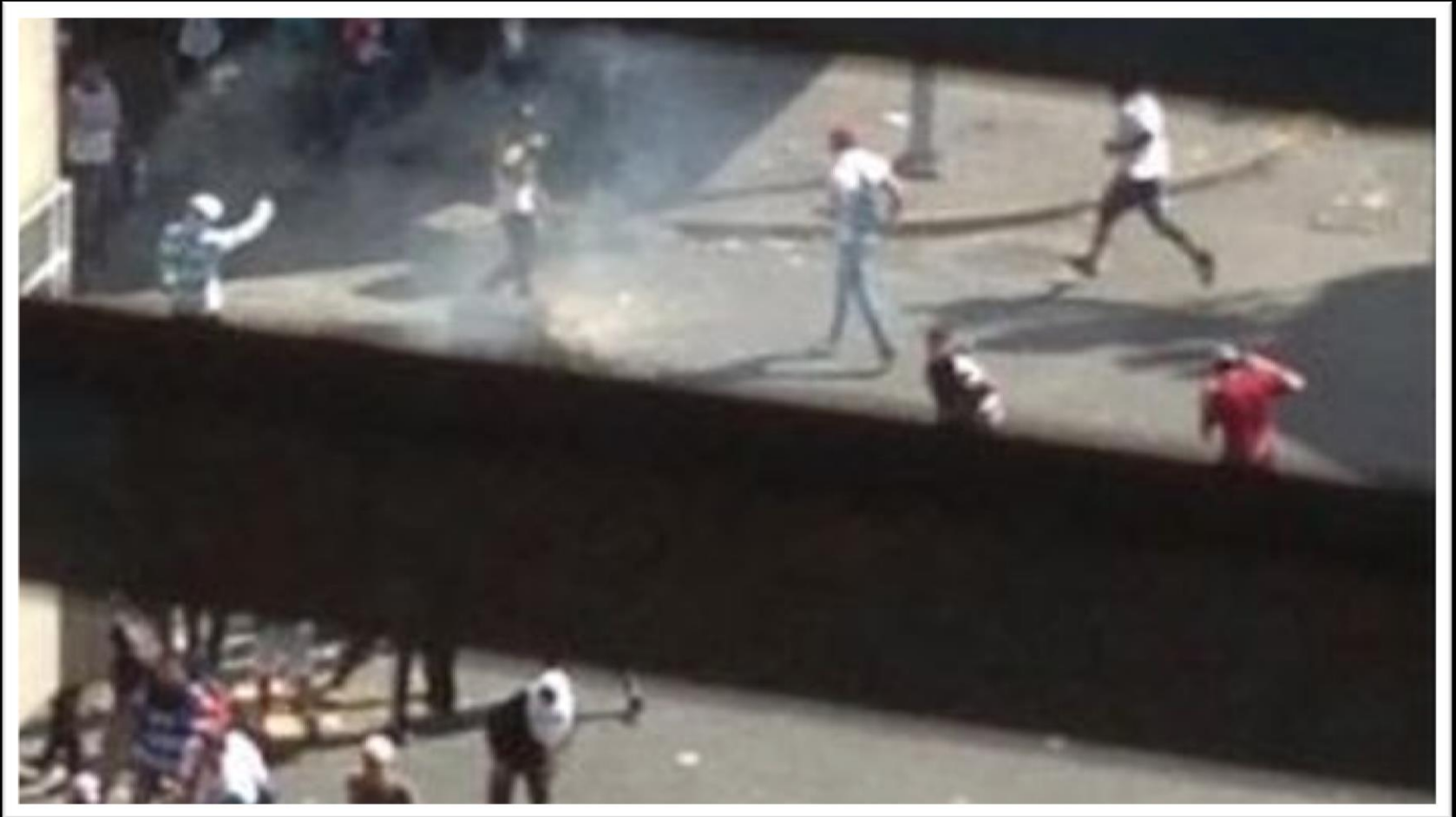


Image shared through Twitter, showing aggression  
against students in La Candelaria / Courtesy of  
@Naty\_Beja  
EL Universal

"They had reached the Office of the Public Prosecutor, as part of their journey of nationwide mobilizations. They demanded the immediate release of the youths who were arrested a few days before in another demonstration. In that moment, **a gang of armed bikers opened fire against protesters.**"

Confirmed by the AFP photographer. – El Universal

23-year-old Bassil Alejandro  
DaCosta Frías

DIES.

He was a Marketing student at  
Alejandro de Humboldt University.





**facebook**

**Da Costa Bassil**

Bueno señores este q esta aqui sale a marchar mañana sin miedo de nada con la esperanza de encontrar un mejor futuro.

El Ayer a la(s) 18:49

Me gusta · Comentar · Compartir  
Ocultar historia

👍 A **Jhorman Valero** y 10 personas más les gusta esto.



The attack occurred when  
the students were already  
starting to disperse.

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«Groups of government sympathizers fired shots into the air, while the police shot pellets at the people.»

Journalist Ángel Villarroel Lara reports via Twitter.



Diosdado Cabello, President of the National Assembly, reported that the other deceased was a Tupamaro leader, Juan Montoya, who was also a policeman.

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# Conclusions

Peaceful manifestation  
attacked by armed  
groups when it had  
ended.





**2 people**

**KILLED.**

**Several wounded.**

# Manifestación por la paz fue atacada por violentos

La marcha de más de 50.000 personas que partió de Plaza Venezuela para exigir al Ministerio Público la liberación de los estudiantes detenidos no fue atendida por la fiscal Luisa Ortega Díaz. La esperaron 2 horas. Cuando se retiraban fueron atacados por motorizados. Cayó muerto Bassil Alejandro da Costa, estudiante de la Universidad Alejandro de Humboldt. A la clínica La Arboleda fue llevado sin vida Juan Montoya, un policaracas adscrito a Inteligencia y miembro de un colectivo del 23 de Enero. En la noche disturbios en Chacao dejaron un tercer muerto

NACIÓN PÁGS. 2, 3, 4 y 6 CIUDADANOS PÁG. 10

✓ El presidente Maduro llamó a la paz y advirtió que no habrá impunidad. Ordenó detener a quienes manifiesten sin permiso

# 30

estudiantes resultaron heridos y más de 70 fueron detenidos

» EDITORIAL

**Arremetida brutal**



La radio, TV y portales noticiosos en Internet se abstuvieron de informar sobre la violencia. El canal NTN24 de Colombia fue sacado de la parrilla de cableoperadoras



En San Cristóbal, luego de la marcha, encapuchados quemaron cauchos en varias avenidas. En Mérida, Valencia, Maracay, Porlamar, Valera, Guanare, Coro, Puerto Ordaz, Barcelona y Maracaibo las protestas fueron multitudinarias



El ruido de las motocicletas y los gritos anunciaron que comenzaba la violencia. Luego se escucharon los disparos



Muchos jóvenes llevaban un cartel con el mensaje "Mamá, iré a luchar por Venezuela; si no vuelvo, me fui con ella"

Heading in English: "demonstration for peace attacked by violent ones."

# Dos muertos tras protesta

Los identificaron como Juan Montoya, de un colectivo del 23 de Enero, y Basil Dacosta, estudiante

- ✓ Marcha opositora transcurrió normal hasta la Fiscalía, pero luego degeneró en violencia
- ✓ Luisa Ortega Díaz confirmó 23 heridos en todo el país
- ✓ 4 patrullas del Cicpc fueron incendiadas en Parque Carabobo
- ✓ El Gobierno culpa a Leopoldo López y María Corina Machado
- ✓ MIJ: 30 detenidos. P12-14



Hubo tiroteos y destrozos en Av.Universidad. FERNANDO

Portad



Tiroteo dejó lesionados en el centro. CRISTIAN HERNÁNDEZ



Apedrearon la sede del MP. ÁNGEL COLUMENARES

Heading in English: “two people killed after protest.”

# Chacao

February 12, at around  
7:50 p.m.



People protest in the residential area of Chacao, following acts of violence that took place on Feb-12 during the student march.



Image: Williams Marrero  
El Nacional

**Men on motorcycles  
started shooting at  
them.**

**1 KILLED.**

**4 wounded.**



Roberto José Redman  
Orozco

Died, hit by a bullet.





He marched. He  
helped victims. He  
died.





Robert Redman, while helping carry the still living body of Bassil Da Costa, first fatal victim of the shootings..

# The wounded

Last night, SaludChacao provided medical attention to 4 people wounded by gunshot, 1 person by pellets, 1 who suffered concussive head damage from helmet, 2 people choked (a six-month-old infant and a woman).

El Nacional- Events.

“They came and started shooting at us. The man who was by my side fell, and we had to make a run for it. I felt a stinging in my leg”, recounted Rodríguez, 23, at the municipal center for medical care.

The event happened at 7:50 p.m., said the young man, who was an eyewitness.

El Nacional- Events.

**THE TRUTH**



All of us Venezuelans are well aware of whom these armed groups, who charged against the demonstrating students on February 12, belonged to.

The following images  
were uploaded to the Net  
by protesters and people  
who witnessed violent  
actions committed  
against demonstrators.



Paramilitary forces violently suppressing student protests.

A photograph showing several National Guard soldiers in green uniforms and helmets riding motorcycles down a paved street. They are holding rifles. Civilians are standing on the street, some with their hands raised in a gesture of surrender or protest. A white car is visible in the background. The scene appears to be a protest or a civil unrest situation.

Why is the National Guard  
aiming civilians?









<https://twitter.com/EventosUCV/> The situation in downtown Caracas.

# LEOPOLDO LÓPEZ: DAMAGES TO PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE ARE PART OF A PLAN BY THE GOVERNMENT.

Leopoldo López, leader of Voluntad Popular (VP), said that everything was made evident by the fact that there were squads of public forces, just a few meters from the groups that destroyed the Public Prosecutor building's front. "There are videos and pictures showing those groups wrecking the building.", he explained..

El Universal.





**Henrique Capriles, Governor of Miranda,**  
urged the National Government to detach  
itself from so-called “collectives” and  
armed groups.

“There are videos and photographs where you see groups armed by  
the government, and they were shooting at youths who likely had  
nothing but a stone. You just can’t scatter protesters with shots (...)”

El Nacional



National Government,  
we Venezuelans hold  
you accountable for all  
violent acts caused by  
armed groups.

Why was the  
National Guard  
attacking students?

Why did the police witness the  
attack, yet did **nothing** about  
it?

**GUILTY GOVERNMENT**