

MINISTERIO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES Managua, Nicaragua

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Mr.

Anthony Blinken

Secretary of the State Department of the Government of the United States of America

Today, 28TH July, 2022, Mr. Hugo Rodríguez, candidate for the position of Ambassador of the United States of North America before the People and Government of the Republic of Nicaragua, during the confirmation hearing of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, made interventionist and disrespectful statements against our

country, ignoring the Principles of International Law, the Charter of the United Nations and the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations.

The Government of Nicaragua, in use of its powers and in exercise of its National Sovereignty, immediately withdraws the placet granted to candidate Hugo Rodríguez.

We reiterate that every diplomat has the duty to contribute to respect and understanding between Peoples and Governments, that is, between the Human Community. We recall that based on diplomacy and in compliance with the postulates of the Vienna Convention, an Ambassador or candidate for Ambassador, cannot get involved in national issues that are specific to Nicaraguans and much less disrespect, offend, humiliate, threaten,

lead or be a factor of interference or interventionism, in the internal affairs of our country.

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