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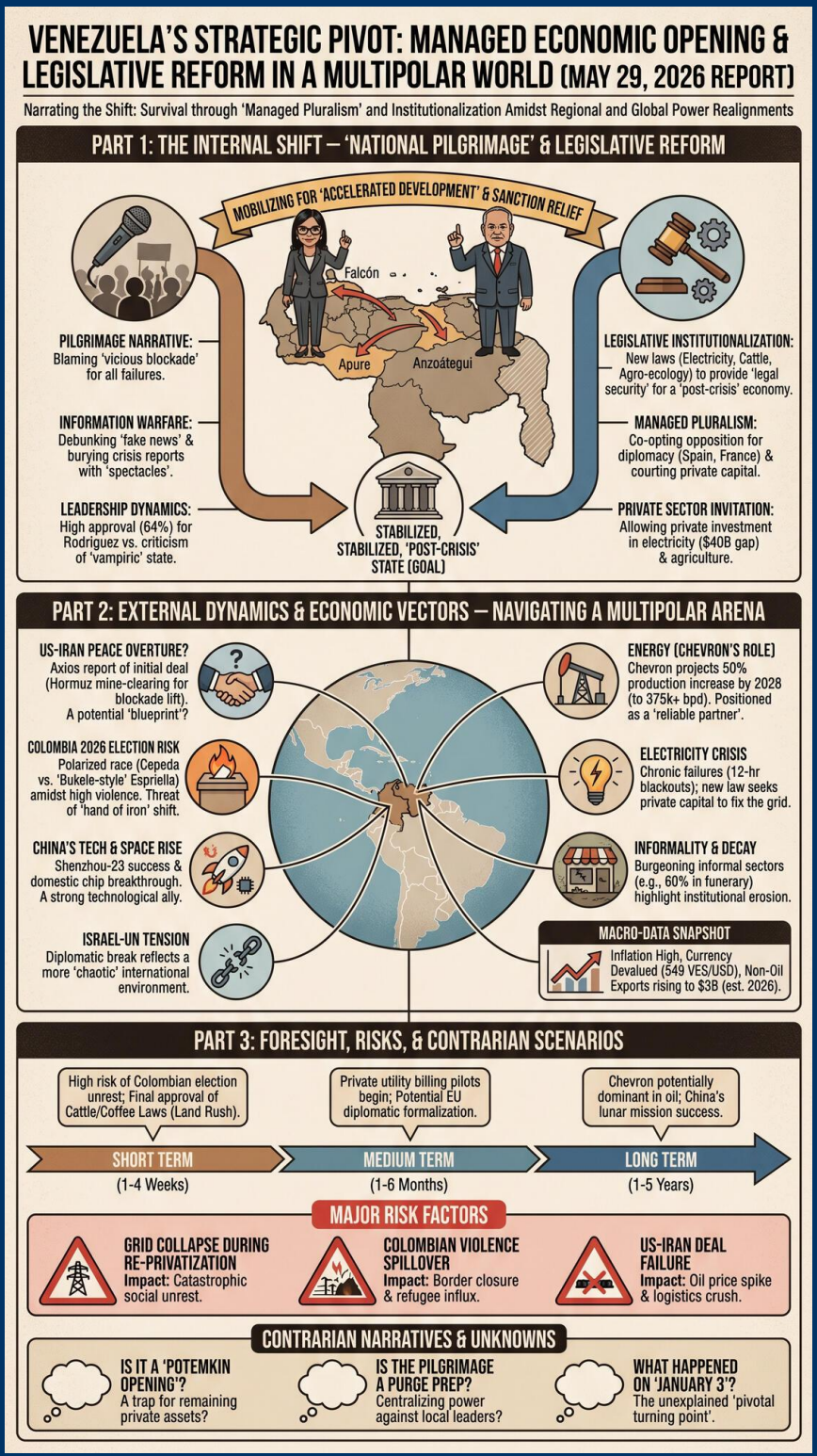

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VENEZUELA SHIFTS TOWARD MANAGED ECONOMIC OPENING AND LEGISLATIVE REFORM AMID REGIONAL POWER REALIGNMENTS

DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

The broadcasting day of May 29, 2026, is dominated by the Venezuelan executive's "National Pilgrimage," a coordinated mobilization effort led by **Delcy Rodríguez** (referred to as President-in-charge) and **Diosdado Cabello**. This campaign focuses on state-level engagement to demand the total lifting of international sanctions while signaling a pivot toward "economic independence" through managed private investment and new legislative frameworks for the energy and agricultural sectors. The government is leveraging a narrative of "five years of growth" despite a "vicious economic blockade," using targeted state visits to Anzoátegui, Falcón, and Apure to project a image of internal stability and productive potential. This domestic posture converges with a highly volatile international environment, characterized by a reported **US-Iran initial peace agreement** and heightening tensions between Israel and the United Nations.

Internationally, the broadcasts focus heavily on the **2026 Colombian Presidential Election**, framing the race between leftist **Iván Cepeda** and right-wing **Abelardo de la Espriella** as a referendum on the "Petro era." Geopolitical shifts are further underscored by reports of **Donald Trump** (portrayed as the US President) navigating sensitive diplomatic waters with Iran and Cuba. Domestically, the Venezuelan National Assembly is moving to approve critical laws regarding electricity, cattle protection, and "agro-ecology," suggesting an attempt to institutionalize a "post-crisis" economy. However, deep-seated issues remain visible, including a chronic electricity crisis requiring an estimated $30-40 billion in investment and a burgeoning "informal" funerary sector that highlights ongoing institutional decay.

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

1. Coordinated US-Iran Peace Overture and Regional Fallout

- Reports from **Axios** indicate an initial peace agreement between Washington and Tehran, awaiting approval by **President Donald Trump**. The deal includes a 30-day window for Iran to clear mines in the **Strait of Hormuz** and a lift of the US naval blockade on Iranian ports. agreement initial peace.
- The deal faces skepticism from **JD Vance**, who clarified that Trump is not yet ready to sign, and criticism from the **Cuban government**, which decried the "double moral" of the US administration in maintaining its own blockade while seeking peace elsewhere. double moral.

2. The "National Pilgrimage" and Sanction Relief Rhetoric

- The executive branch has launched a nationwide tour to mobilize popular and business support against international sanctions. Delcy Rodríguez and Diosdado Cabello emphasized that Venezuela would achieve "accelerated development" if sanctions were removed. accelerated development.
- The government is specifically courting the private sector, promising a "peaceful and democratic coexistence" program to strengthen production. strengthen production.

3. Chevron's 2028 Production Surge in Venezuela

- The CEO of **Chevron**, Mike Wirth (noted as "Mike Ward" or "Mike Queer" in transcripts), projected a 50% increase in Venezuelan production by 2028. Current extraction has risen from 50,000 to over 250,000 barrels per day in just two years. 250,000 barrels.
- This expansion is tied to the government's efforts to position the country as a "sovereign and strategic provider" in global energy markets. reliable provider.

4. Pre-Election Instability in Colombia 2026

- Colombia prepares for a first-round vote on May 31, 2026, amid the highest levels of violence in a decade, including the assassination of candidate **Miguel Uribe**. Miguel Uribe.
- The race is polarized between Iván Cepeda, allied with Gustavo Petro, and Abelardo de la Espriella, who is running a "radical" campaign modeled after Bukele and Trump. radical campaign.

5. China's Technological and Space Advancement

- The **Shenzhou-23** mission successfully docked with the Tiangong space station, featuring the first astronaut from Hong Kong. first astronaut.
- China's **Longson Technology** announced a third generation of components independent of US patents, while a new supercomputer in Shenzhen achieved record-breaking ex-flops performance using 47,000 domestic chips. 47,000 chips.

KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

Diplomacy & Statecraft The Venezuelan government is actively trying to rehabilitate its international standing. This includes the installation of a **Venezuela-US Parliamentary Friendship Group** aimed at restoring bilateral relations friendship group. Additionally, the appointment of **Samuel Moncada** to France and opposition leader **Timoteo Zambrano** to Spain as ambassadors suggests a strategic move toward "transparent" and "pluralistic" diplomacy intended to ease European sanctions Timoteo Zambrano.

Energy & Critical Minerals A major legislative push is underway to overhaul the **electrical sector**. Proposals are being drafted to allow **private investment** in generation and distribution for the first time, acknowledging that the state cannot afford the $40 billion needed for grid recovery private investment. There is also a significant

emphasis on **alternative energies** (solar and wind), particularly in Falcón and Zulia alternative energies.

Macroeconomics & Trade The **Venezuelan Association of Exporters (AVEX)** expects non-oil exports to reach **$3 billion** in 2026, driven by simplified trade windows and the reactivation of banking correspondence non-oil exports. Despite this, the economy remains under extreme pressure, with the bolívar trading at over 549 per USD 549 bolívares.

Information Warfare & Disinformation The network dedicated time to debunking "fake news" regarding a purported "Chavista state dismantling" order fake news. Conversely, the government uses the "pilgrimage" narrative to seed the idea that all domestic failure is the result of external sanctions, a core component of the state's narrative management pillgrimage.

Leadership Dynamics & Governance Public approval for Delcy Rodríguez's management is reportedly at **64%**, with high marks for her "connection" to national problems 64% approval. However, internal debates in **Kicosis** reveal criticisms regarding the "monstrous" size of the state and the lack of real institutional reform beyond the surface-level "accelerated trámites" (bureaucracy streamlining) size of state.

DEEP DIVE: TRENDS AND THEMES

Managed Pluralism as a Survival Strategy The government is increasingly adopting a posture of "inclusion," co-opting opposition figures for diplomatic roles and inviting the private sector to lead critical infrastructure projects (Electricity Law). This trend suggests a realization within the core Chavista leadership that the state no longer has the capital to maintain absolute control over the economy. By allowing private actors to solve "bread and butter" issues (electricity, auto parts, agricultural logistics), the executive seeks to preserve political authority while offloading fiscal and operational liabilities. managed pluralism.

The "Bukele-ization" of the Regional Right The framing of the Colombian election highlights a growing regional trend toward radical, anti-establishment right-wing leaders. Abelardo de la Espriella's campaign, which encarnates a "hand of iron" approach to guerrillas and narcos, is explicitly compared to the models of Nayib Bukele and Donald Trump. This signals a fracture in traditional conservative politics in favor of more aggressive, personality-driven security states. radical right.

Legislative Institutionalization of the "Post-Crisis" Era A flurry of legislative activity (Cattle Law, Coffee/Cacao Law, Electricity Law) indicates an attempt to formalize the economic shifts of the last five years. These laws are intended to provide "legal security" to a new class of domestic producers and international investors who have operated in a gray market environment. The goal is to create a "transparent" framework that can survive the eventual full lifting of sanctions. legal security.

INTERNAL DYNAMICS & DOMESTIC INSTABILITY

Venezuela is navigating a fragile stability. While the government claims high approval ratings, the persistence of the "electricity crisis" (up to 12-hour blackouts in Zulia) remains a primary driver of potential social unrest. The debate in the **Kicosis** program

highlights a deep structural tension: the executive is accused of being "vampiric" (extracting taxes without providing services) while the state bureaucracy remains bloated and inefficient. vampiric state. The "informality" of the economy—exemplified by the 60% informality rate in the funerary sector—shows that the state has lost its regulatory grip on basic services, creating a parallel economy that operates outside the reach of the law and tax authorities. informality.

Furthermore, the "pilgrimage" indicates that the leadership (Rodríguez/Cabello) feels a need to bypass traditional bureaucratic channels and talk "directly to the catacombs" (the people), suggesting that intermediate institutions (governors/mayors) may no longer be effective conduits for state power. catacombs.

EXTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

The world is framed as a "multipolar arena" where the US under Trump is adopting a transactional and isolationist approach, creating openings for Venezuela. The reported US-Iran deal is seen as a potential template for a US-Venezuela rapprochement. Venezuela is attempting to maneuver through this by projecting itself as a "reliable energy partner" for the West (via Chevron) while simultaneously deepening technological and space ties with **China** and **Russia**. reliable partner.

However, relations with regional neighbors are strained. The friction between **Lula da Silva** and Trump over the designation of Brazilian gangs (Command Vermelho) as terrorist groups, and the critical posture of the Colombian candidates toward Venezuela, suggests a fracturing Latin American consensus. Venezuela is responding defensively by trying to formalize its European relations (appointing Zambrano) as a counterweight to US dominance. Command Vermelho.

THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

The Venezuelan economic landscape is characterized by a "rebound" from collapse, but one that remains highly uneven and burdened by extreme currency devaluation and logistics failures.

Key Economic Vectors:

- **Currency:** BCV Reference Rate: 549.37 Bolívares/USD and 640.14 Bolívares/EUR. 549 bolívares.
- **Petroleum:** WTI at a highly abnormal **$8.53/barrel** (likely reflecting massive discounts or data error in transcript), while Brent holds at **$92.38/barrel**. WTI 8.53.
- **Metals/Commodities:** Gold: $4,527/ounce. Silver: $75.92/ounce. Natural Gas: $3.30. Gold 4,527.
- **Corporate Flows:** Chevron (Mike Wirth) expects production to reach over 375,000 bpd by 2028 based on current trends. Chevron growth.
- **Stock Markets:** Caracas Stock Index closed at 5,778 points (+1.91%). S&P 500: 7,563 points. Dow Jones: 50,669 points. Caracas index.
- **Trade Balance:** Non-oil exports estimated to close 2026 at **$3 billion**. 3 million.
- **Crypto:** Bitcoin: $73,862. Ethereum: $2,002. Bitcoin 73,862.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

The following leadership shifts signal a strategic pivot toward international engagement and domestic administrative restructuring:

- **Delcy Rodríguez (President-in-Charge):** Her emergence as the central figure of the "National Pilgrimage" suggests she is the primary face of the regime's attempt to stabilize the interior and engage the private sector. Delcy leadership.
- **Samuel Moncada:** Appointed as Ambassador to France, signaling an effort to normalize relations with the EU's second-largest economy. Moncada France.
- **Timoteo Zambrano:** Appointed as Ambassador to Spain. As an opposition figure, his appointment is a high-profile move toward "managed pluralism" to appease international observers. Timoteo Spain.
- **Antonio Ecarri:** Presiding over the new Venezuela-US Parliamentary Friendship Group, another example of the government using "moderate" opposition voices to bridge gaps with Washington. Antonio Ecarri.
- **Héctor Rodríguez:** Named as one of the leads for "State Restructuring," focusing on judicial and consular areas to facilitate investment. Héctor Rodríguez.

EDITORIAL POSTURE & STORY HIERARCHY

The network, **Globovisión**, maintains a posture that is ostensibly patriotic and reassuring, with a heavy emphasis on the "pilgrimage" and "productive" news. The **Lead Stories** are consistently the executive's tours and the potential US-Iran peace deal, which serves as a proxy narrative for Venezuela's own desire for a deal with Trump. The **Buried Stories** include the true depth of the electricity crisis and the extreme devaluation of the bolívar, which are discussed in late-night segments (Kicosis) or specialized economic reports rather than the main news headlines. The tone is nationalistic, frequently using terms like "patria," "unión," and "soberanía" to frame economic desperation as a collective struggle against external actors. **Conspicuous Omissions** include any detailed reporting on the "3 de enero" event, which is frequently alluded to as a "pivotal turning point" for the economy but never fully explained in the transcripts, and the status of political prisoners beyond the "Amnesty Law" discussions.

GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING

The broadcast portrays a world shifting toward strongmen and transactional diplomacy, where Venezuela’s survival depends on its ability to "unite" domestically and play the major powers against each other.

COUNTRIES

- **United States:** Portrayed as a "transactional giant" under Trump. The framing is "foe-turned-possible-friend" if the right deal is struck. "Queremos pedirle de nuevo al presidente Trump que libere los recursos." Trump resources.
- **Israel:** Portrayed as increasingly isolated and aggressive, particularly in its spat with the UN. Framed as "chaotic" and a "foe" of international norms. "Israel ha decidido suspender y congelar oficialmente todos sus vínculos diplomáticos con el secretario general." Israel UN.

- **China:** Portrayed as a "competent and strong" technological beacon. Framed as a primary strategic ally providing an alternative to US hegemony. "China lanzó con éxito su nave tripulada... y su ordenador LX2 basa su rendimiento en 47,000 chips de fabricación propia." China tech.
- **Colombia:** Portrayed as a "fractured" neighbor on the brink of a radical rightward shift. The framing is one of concern over regional stability. "La peor ola de violencia en una década... atentados y el asesinato de Miguel Uribe." Colombia violence.

LEADERS

- **Donald Trump:** Framed as the "decisive arbiter" of world affairs. He is portrayed as strong and pragmatic, with the power to "liberate" Venezuela if he chooses. Trump arbiter.
- **Antonio Guterres:** Portrayed as a "principled victim" of Israeli aggression, though some segments subtly question the UN's effectiveness. Guterres.
- **Iván Cepeda:** Framed as the "petrista" continuity candidate, struggling against a tide of violence and a surging right-wing opposition. Iván Cepeda.

NON-STATE & CORPORATE ACTORS

- **Chevron:** Framed as the "essential partner." It is the only entity portrayed as a "bridge" between the Venezuelan state and the US market. Chevron bridge.
- **Command Vermelho / PCC:** Framed as "terrorist threats" that are disrupting regional peace and straining US-Brazil relations. PCC.
- **Google:** Portrayed as a "revolutionary" but "aggressive" actor in the AI space, signaling a new era of digital control. Google AI.

INFORMATION WARFARE ENVIRONMENT

The meta-narrative of the day is the "Normalization of Chavismo 2.0." The state is using a **multi-pronged propaganda strategy** to achieve this:

- **Narrative Seeding:** The frequent mention of the "3 de enero" event as a watershed moment for the "real economy" suggests a psychological operation to separate the "failed old era" from the "new productive era" led by Delcy Rodríguez. 3 de enero.
- **Censorship through Distraction:** Large segments of airtime are dedicated to "Spectacles" (Neymar, Lady Gaga, Reina del Flow) and "Pilgrimage" fluff, effectively burying reports of 22-hour blackouts in the interior. Spectacles.
- **Weaponized Pluralism:** Using opposition figures like Zambrano and Ecarri for state diplomatic functions is a clear attempt to signal "political maturity" to foreign investors while maintaining structural control. Zambrano.

HYPOTHESES AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

1. The US-Iran Deal as a Blueprint: If the Trump-Iran deal holds, a similar "Hormuz for Sanctions" trade-off could be offered to Venezuela (e.g., "Guaranteed Oil Supply for Debt Relief"). Iran blueprint.

2. Regional "Hand of Iron" Shift: A victory for Abelardo de la Espriella in Colombia will

likely lead to a total breakdown in relations with Venezuela and a potential militarization of the border, as he seeks to emulate Bukele's security model. Espriella victory.

3. Institutionalization of Private Electricity: The new Electricity Law will likely lead to a "tiered" power system where private complexes and wealthy enclaves have 24/7 power, while the rural poor remain dependent on the collapsing state grid. electricity law.

STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Short Term (1-4 Weeks):

- High risk of unrest in **Colombia** following the May 31 election regardless of the winner. election unrest.
- Final approval of the **Cattle and Coffee/ Cacao Laws** in Venezuela, triggering a scramble for land titles and "legalization" of current holdings. land rush.

Medium Term (1-6 Months):

- Introduction of **private utility billing** in certain Venezuelan states as the first pilot programs of the new Electricity Law. private utility.
- Formalization of diplomatic ties with **Spain and France** if the pluralist ambassador strategy bears fruit. diplomatic fruit.

Long Term (1-5 Years):

- Chevron production reaching **400,000+ bpd**, effectively making them the dominant manager of the Venezuelan oil industry over PDVSA. Chevron dominance.
- China's successful **manned lunar mission** using the data and technologies tested on the current Tiangong rotation. lunar mission.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The following risks could rapidly destabilize the current managed opening:

- **Grid Collapse during Re-Privatization:** The transition to private generation may fail due to lack of immediate capital. **Triggers:** Major failure at Guri dam or lack of Gasoil for thermal plants. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** Catastrophic social unrest. **Mitigations:** Immediate emergency gasoil gandolas for the interior. grid risk.
- **Colombian Election Violence Spillover:** The highest violence in a decade could spill across the border. **Triggers:** Contested election results on May 31. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Border closure and refugee influx. **Mitigations:** Deployment of Venezuelan forces to the Táchira/Apure border. border risk.
- **US-Iran Deal Failure:** If Trump refuses to sign the Axios-reported deal, the Strait of Hormuz remains a flashpoint. **Triggers:** Iranian mine-clearing refusal. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Oil spike to $150/bbl, benefiting Venezuelan revenue but crushing global logistics. Iran risk.
- **AI-Driven Financial Fraud:** The "virtual kidnapping" and "vishing" trends signal a vulnerability in Venezuelan banking. **Triggers:** Coordinated cyberattack on BCV or major banks. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Loss of confidence in digital payments. **Mitigations:** Adoption of biometric passkeys and 2FA. cyber risk.

- **Resurgence of Ebola:** The DRC outbreak spreading to Uganda and Kenia. **Triggers:** Failure of the 2026 vaccine candidate. **Likelihood:** Low. **Impact:** Global health emergency and flight grounding. ebola risk.

GAPS & BLIND SPOTS

A complete risk assessment is hindered by several conspicuous gaps in the reported information:

- **The "3 de enero" Event:** Multiple speakers refer to the events of January 3 as the source of current economic movements, yet the broadcast never specifies what occurred on that date (likely a major currency peg shift or a failed uprising). January 3.
- **Oil Price Discrepancy:** WTI is reported at $8.53 while Brent is $92.38. The broadcast fails to explain this extreme $84/barrel spread, which usually indicates extreme sanctions-related discounting or a massive localized supply glut. price gap.
- **Status of Maduro:** Throughout the transcripts, Delcy Rodríguez is the "President-in-charge." The current status and whereabouts of Nicolás Maduro are never mentioned, a significant omission regarding leadership stability. status omission.
- **Funerary Mortality Rates:** The report on the funerary sector's "decrecimiento" (decline) mentions 30% revenue drops but fails to correlate this with actual mortality statistics or health outcomes. mortality data.

CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS

1. The "Potemkin" Opening: The Electricity Law and private sector invitations are not an opening, but a desperate move to seize the assets of remaining private businesses by forcing them into debt-heavy partnerships with a bankrupt state. Instead of $40 billion flowing in, the state may be looking to strip the last $1 billion in liquid assets from domestic firms. asset trap.

2. The Trump-Iran Deal as a Distraction: The Axios report may be a "leak" designed to calm markets before a major military escalation. The focus on Hormuz mine-clearing could be a pre-text for the US to clear the path for a carrier group rather than commercial traffic. leak theory.

3. The Pilgrimage as a Purge Preparation: Delcy Rodríguez and Cabello's state tours may be less about "unity" and more about identifying and neutralizing local power centers (governors/mayors) that have become too independent during the sanctions era, preparing for a centralization of power in Caracas. purge theory.

Black Swan Event: The "LX2" supercomputer in Shenzhen, using 47,000 domestic chips, achieves a breakthrough in cracking traditional Western encryption, leading to an immediate and catastrophic collapse of global banking security and SWIFT systems before biometric passkeys can be deployed. ex-flops.

RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS

For Statecraft/Public Sector:

- **Diplomatic:** Pursue the "Spanish/French" ambassador model with other G7 nations to create a block of "normalization advocates" that can lobby Washington for sanctions-for-energy swaps. diplomatic opening.
- **Economic:** Accelerate the implementation of the Electricity Law but ensure a "Social Tariff" to prevent a total decoupling of the rural poor from the power grid. social tariff.
- **Security:** Immediately increase border intelligence operations regarding the Colombian elections to prevent insurgent infiltration if de la Espriella wins. border security.

For Private Sector/Investors:

- **Opportunity:** The Venezuelan auto parts sector is reporting 2% quarterly growth and expects 5% annually; significant opportunities exist for suppliers of heavy machinery parts (trucks/tractors) as the railway system remains non-existent. auto parts.
- **Risk:**informality in the service sector (funerary, medical) creates massive liability and safety risks. Compliance officers must perform rigorous due diligence to ensure partners possess valid BCV and medical permits. informality risk.
- **Capital Allocation:** Diversify into "Agro-ecology" and livestock protection as these sectors are receiving direct legislative support and prioritized gasoil allocations. agro-ecology.

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

The Venezuelan National Assembly is currently in a hyper-active legislative session, focusing on formalizing the economy and opening infrastructure to private capital. This includes key debates on agricultural production and the first major overhaul of the electrical grid in decades. legislative session.

BILLS DISCUSSED/DEBATED:

- **Electricity Law Reform:** Strategic intent to allow private participation in generation, distribution, and commercialization of energy to address the $40 billion infrastructure deficit. electricity law.
- **Cattle Protection Law:** Seeks to modernize the 1997 code, specifically targeting "abigeato" (cattle rustling) and providing legal security for exports. cattle law.
- **Coffee and Cacao Law:** Targeted at boosting these traditional exports through improved road infrastructure and direct producer-market links. coffee cacao law.
- **Agro-ecology Defense Law:** A new proposal to balance intensive farming with ecological protections. agro-ecology bill.

HEARINGS & PRESS EVENTS:

- **Venezuela-US Parliamentary Friendship Group Installation:** Led by Antonio Ecarri, aimed at restoring diplomatic channels. friendship hearing.
- **National Pilgrimage Press Statements (Anzoátegui/Falcón/Apure):** Coordinated executive messaging regarding sanction relief. pilgrimage press.

KEY STORIES

- **US-Iran Initial Peace Agreement:** Axios reports a memorandum of understanding between Washington and Tehran that would lift the Hormuz blockade and Iranian naval restrictions, pending Trump's approval. US-Iran deal.
- **Venezuelan "National Pilgrimage":** Delcy Rodríguez and Diosdado Cabello tour Anzoátegui, Falcón, and Apure to mobilize support against sanctions and promote the "National Pilgrimage" narrative. pilgrimage.
- **Chevron's 2028 Venezuelan Growth Projection:** CEO Mike Wirth projects a 50% production increase by 2028, with current extraction over 250,000 bpd. Chevron growth.
- **Colombian 2026 Election Polarization:** A final look at the race between Iván Cepeda and Abelardo de la Espriella ahead of the May 31 vote, marked by extreme violence and candidates emulating Donald Trump and Nayib Bukele. Colombia 2026.
- **Israel-UN Diplomatic Break:** Israel officially freezes ties with UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres after reports of the state being included on a "black list" for violence in armed conflicts. Israel-UN break.
- **China's Space and Supercomputing Milestones:** Successful docking of Shenzhou-23 at Tiangong and the reveal of a 47,000-chip supercomputer in Shenzhen. China milestones.
- **Proposed Venezuelan Electricity Privatization:** National Assembly debates a law to allow private capital to generate and sell electricity to fix the grid. electricity reform.
- **Mérida Flood Alert:** Authorities on 24-hour watch as the Chama River overflows and heavy rains affect five municipalities. Mérida floods.
- **Argentine National Team World Cup Roster:** Lionel Scaloni announces the 26-man squad for the 2026 World Cup, including Lionel Messi. Argentina roster.
- **Ebola Outbreak in DRC:** Over 1,770 suspected cases and 246 deaths reported as the WHO and African Union scramble for a vaccine for the Bundibugyo strain. ebola crisis.
- **Virtual Kidnapping Epidemic:** The CICPC warns of a new AI-driven extortion trend where attackers use deepfake voices to simulate kidnappings of relatives. AI kidnapping.
- **Funerary Sector Crisis:** Canadefu reports a 20% decline in formal revenue and a surge to 60% informality in the sector. funeral crisis.
- **Google's AI Search Revolution:** Google announces "Gemini Spark" and the transformation of its search bar into a pro-active AI assistant for 900 million users. Google AI.
- **Cattle and Agricultural Reform in Apure:** National Assembly President Jorge Rodríguez announces the creation of a working table for new cattle and cacao laws. Apure reform.
- **Venezuela Non-Oil Export Projections:** AVEX expects $3 billion in exports for 2026, citing improved logistics and simple customs windows. export forecast.
- **European Union Fines Temu:** The e-commerce giant fined 200 million euros for failing to identify illegal and dangerous products on its platform. Temu fine.

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