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Reality has shown me a new road, a broader one: getting involved the civil society rather than the status quo. Then my party is no more the vehicle to make my dreams come true.

Traditional parties do not want to generate participation channels. They just want to exercise power and preserve it, no matter the cost. Therefore, a new ideal of party is to be followed and I am trying to prove how real is the possibility of creating a new party without barriers.

As a proof of what I have said, I have decided to run for Senator, with the support of a new party: Falcon Project..

I challenge the whole status by accepting the nomination at the time I am sending a new message to all Venezuelans: No matter how we must stand up and face, vis a vis, those who refuse to listen. If the best people ran away, this kind of parties would retain the power forever.

But I can not do this by my own. I really want to mobilize the best resources of the people but people have to participate.

Abstention is the currency of their leadership. Participation is the sign of our authority. In times of distress people look for authority, order, direction and protection. The distress is caused by the enormous discontent no party could drain.

I want to drain it by allowing the people to participate in their own destiny.

But, in doing this, I must survive.

My enemies are powerful. And they will attempt to destroy me.

Why?

You know my story.

Since I was reelected in 1993, **I have** been attacked by the old-minded establishment.

They opposed my style. Well, I guess they opposed everything. Despite those enemies, **I have led the House to three major decisions:**

- The new system of military service became reality. The draft is history.

- There is a new education Law.
- 10 Aqueducts have been built in my electoral District in less than three years.

They laughed when I first promised I could change these things.

Now they want me out of the Congress

You all have the answer to this question: Efficiency or just Politics ?

Let me work. I know how to do it.

Model of the handout made for the Press Conference

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- There is a new education Law.

They never believed he could convince the Presidents of the Universities.

- 10 Aqueducts have been built in his electoral District in less than three years.

They called it "impossible to achieve". Now **they** want him out of the Congress

You have the answer to this question: Efficiency or just Politics ?

Let Him Work

For
Senator

Vladimir

