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## **STATEMENT ON REGIONAL AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN VENEZUELA**

The Standing Committee of the Socialist Movement of Ghana[SMG] has received the report of the General Secretary of our Movement who served as an observer in the Regional and Municipal elections in Venezuela on November 21,2021. It has also taken full account of media and other reports on the election and come to the firm conclusion that the election was free, fair and transparent.

Media monitoring of election campaigning and propaganda showed clearly that no party or candidate had an unfair advantage in terms of media access.

The process of auditing at least 54 percent of electronic votes by manually checking them against vote receipts also guaranteed the fairness and transparency of the election.

All international election observers have also confirmed that none of the witnesses of the political parties which took part in the elections has complained about any irregularities in the conduct of the elections.

In the light of these, the Socialist Movement of Ghana endorses the result of the elections and congratulates the PSUV on its resounding victory.

The elections have once more dented claims by the forces of imperialism and their local lackeys that Venezuela is currently under the yoke of a dictatorship. It has also completely shattered the vile propaganda which has become the basis of the aggressive acts against the Government and people of Venezuela by the United States of America and its allies.

The continued imposition of sanctions against Venezuela which is subverting the national economy and worsening the living and working conditions of the working people is unjustified.

We call on all the people of Venezuela and the different political parties and factions to unite around the central issue of building a new Venezuela which controls its own resources and exploits them for the benefit of Venezuelans.

Victory is inevitable for the people of Venezuela.

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***For General Secretary***