

TEXTO**Venezuela's 'state of emergency': How the country slid into crisis**

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*Simmer = cozinhar em fogo brando.

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Facções rivais de ativistas a favor e contra o governo tomaram as ruas de Caracas, um dia depois do Presidente Nicolas Maduro declarar "um estado constitucional de emergência".

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Maduro disse que sua declaração de emergência almeja "proteger nosso país e, mais importante, preparar para denunciar, neutralizar e superar agressões externas e estrangeiras contra nosso país".

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Ele também convocou exercícios militares para ter lugar no próximo final de semana para preparar "qualquer cenário", incluindo uma invasão estrangeira.

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Mas enquanto alguns marchavam em apoio ao esforço do governo para um "estado constitucional de exceção e emergência econômica", que é esperado para se estender até julho, nem todos estão pacientes.

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Manifestantes antigoverno acusam Maduro de se agarrar ao poder enquanto seu país desintegra.

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Pessoas de todo o país não têm acesso a comida e cuidados básicos de saúde.

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Às vezes, eles não podem ligar as luzes -- o governo diz que a seca extrema tem dificultado as capacidades hidroelétrica do país.

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Tudo isso está levando a uma raiva generalizada – culminando com o tipo de protestos vistos no final de semana, bem como as explosões de saques e violência que estão estragando a estabilidade da nação.