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"I am very aware, and I have been aware throughout my life, that Bolívar was the man whom José Martí admired the most. Bolívar, Venezuela and their people were always what Cubans admired the most. Bolívar, Venezuela, their people and their feats always inspired my dreams as a Latin American and Cuban revolutionary."

References to the original: Words spoken by Fidel Castro Ruz, upon his arrival at the Simón Bolívar International Airport, Maiquetía, Caracas

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