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## Venezuelan Mothers and Women Cry Out for Peace and Reject Violence

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Venezuelan Minister for Women and Gender Equality, Blanca Eekhout, has said today that "we do not want war. We do not want death. We do want peace and demand justice through a march of mothers in this capital.

Blanca Eekhout has rebuffed the use of minors as a political tool to further crimes and actions against Venezuela's stability at the rally near the Attorney General's Office, located in Carabobo park.

The Venezuelan women and mothers parade was called by the National Women's Union of Women (UnaMujer), the Council for the Protection of Children and Adolescents (CPNNA), Homes of Homeland and the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV), among other organizations.

Demonstrators demanded swiftly investigations to sanction those who are using under-18 minors to encourage armed insurrection in the nation.

'They are brainwashing our young people for them to be present at these parades. They are used for political purposes and we cannot stand it anymore,' Mariana Yepez stated, who joined the march.

The Deputy Minister for the Defense of Women's Rights, Marelis Perez Marcano, who was also present at the parade, highlighted the demonstration of the Venezuelan people against sectors which are aimed at increasing violence in the nation, recording over 80 dead in little more than two months.