

Conclusion

The square of the circle

In a clear-sighted description of the European contemporary situation, 40 years ago, Ralf Dahrendorf visualized like a cyclopean task (that defined as squaring the circle), the purpose that had the old continent of assuring the social cohesion, the economic justice and the political freedom in front of the regional disintegration, the growing impoverishment and the political authoritarian temptations. And however, European Union exists at the moment as such with good development levels, institutions democratic, wide pluralism and freedoms under oneself political equivalent Constitution that will govern on all its members. To what fancied impossible you arrived through firm and progressive steps. The squaring of the circle was achieved.

¿Do we wonder if can a country like Venezuela, in modernization process and development -in spite of its current conflicts, crisis and limitations-, to obtain the same achievements of social cohesion, economic justice and political democracy? Or ¿do these goals overcome our possibilities simply? Reconciling in Venezuela (as we have it proposed it) administrative efficiency with political democracy / modernization with economic genuineness / growth with social justness / a preponderant paper of the State with a market economy / the hegemony of the State force with the enough guarantee of the human rights and of the civic freedoms for all, ¿is it to attempt the squaring of the circle? ¿It is an impossible one? However, great Horacio's classic maxim "ad impossibilia per difficiliora" (to achieve the impossible things through going making the most difficult) continues being a call to fight for the utopia, to be about building that ideal society, still no-existent and you lie of the one that exists at the moment, but that it can and it should be attempted.

There is certain ideological womb, present in the current government, of a light neo-populism, generous dispenser of goods for all, administered for military, technicians and unconditional bureaucrats of the régime (Nelly Arenas). It is a goal of to achieve many too quick things and to want to fly too high, in kind of a political risky and extreme competition. It seemed a 'clonation' of Ícaro, the mythological character that flew higher than all, but to the one who were melted the wings of wax by the heat of the sun and it entered vertiginously in drill. Today are evident the costs and negative results that left some régimes in Latin America when they implanted some form of populism. They overcome with a lot the positive partial achievements that maybe could be admitted they obtained some of them in the internal order of the country and/or in the economic acting. The electoral results in Venezuela are indicative that there would be support in the population's great sector, for the achievement of an authoritarian neo-populist régime that could move amply -at least for twelve years more- for the new rails designed for it in the new Bolivarian Constitution (with its Reforms), and with a base of popular support very administered again through a civic-military effective movement or some species political party with enough militarist component.

"Among the idiocy [of a dictatorship] and the hope [of an efficient and legitimate democracy] I hope we all attend the commitment in Venezuela it is possible to continue choosing the hope"

(Joaquín Marta Sosa).

We are in time of thin cows and of fat aspirations. We still navigate between the hard pessimism of the past and the light optimism of the future. Maybe to "be optimistic or pessimist is question of temperament, not of reason", Bertrand Russell said. We don't see another possible and more desirable scenario for Venezuela -whichever it is the exit that is imposed- that the one of trying to reconstruct the country like *a flock of migratory birds*, with three elements that should be given simultaneously.

1° to Restart a **brave flight toward a common objective**, toward some goals, result of a national reaffirmed consent or reprocessed by the popular will. Reason has Bobbio when he consigns that "the solution of a serious crisis that it threatens the survival of a political system one has to look for, before anything, in the civil society, where they can be new 'legitimate' sources and, therefore, new consent areas"(*State, Government, Society*). Venezuela has to gather the alive forces of the country for restart the one on the way to an efficient and legitimate Democracy.

2° to Advance under a **convincing leadership**, as which the flock recognizes in its script that it goes ahead. And that it should guide, with vision and with dynamism, toward what could be the reconstruction of a new republic, free, egalitarian, comfortable for all.

3° to Cement a **social basic discipline** and without failing, in the one that the solidarity of some it supports the weakness of others. The rich ones and the poor; those of up and those of below; those of the residential hills and the dives; those of east, those of the center and of occident; the old ones white, green, orange and red, together with new colors, all without exclusion neither hates -we should contribute to the reconstruction of a country that it was come first broken (Fourth Republic) and crumbling later (Fifth Republic). It is a great task, more than the one of "changing skin" that implies the surpassing of so many accumulated negative conditions. Something that cannot be reached only with the work of a man, of a single party or movement, neither of an only sector of the society. Behind it was a time (with its certain achievements and inexcusable flaws) and forward they are new horizons open up for Venezuela. There are valid reasons to think that we can leave a zigzagging journey behind, with its lights and shades, 50 years old. And that we are before the perspective from a Trip to the Dawn in this new millennium. Travel that it is not to the country of the memory and of the 'egloga' (country of the backwardness in many aspects), just as he discovered it in his time Mariano Picón Salas to his ancestral return. The travel is to the country "that flows milk and honey": earth of freedom, earth of equality

and of abundance; earth predicted the heirs of the biblical promise, but that it doesn't fall of the sky like the manna but rather people have to conquer it fiery.

"Not being possible to achieve between the republics and monarchies the most perfect and completed thing, let us avoid to fall in demagogic anarchies or in monocratic tyrannies"

(SIMÓN BOLIVAR, *Letter of Jamaica* 1815).

"A strong government for its structure and liberal for its principles"

(SIMÓN BOLIVAR, *Letter to O'Higgins*, 29 August 1822).