

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

April 1, 2021

Carlos Vecchio, Chargé d'Affaires to the United States Embassy of Venezuela 1099 30th Street Washington, DC 20007

RE: MUR 7243

Petroléos de Venezuela, S.A.

Dear Mr. Vecchio:

On May 14, 2017, the Federal Election Commission notified Petroléos de Venezuela, S.A., of a complaint alleging that it had violated certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(j) of the Commission's regulations.

On February 25, 2021, the Commission considered the complaint but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe Petroléos de Venezuela, S.A., violated 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(j). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016). A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

If you have any questions, please contact Roy Q. Luckett, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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