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Imdat Oner: The Good, the Bad, or the Ugly – What is Next for Venezuela?

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In this Orion Talks episode, hosted by Suat Cubukcu, Dr. Imdat Oner joins the conversation to unpack Venezuela's sudden political turning point following the capture of Nicolás Maduro and his transfer to the United States. Dr. Oner examines the immediate fallout in Caracas, the rise of interim president Delcy Rodríguez, and the competing forces, domestic and international, now shaping the transition. From Washington's strategic aims and regional reactions to risks of internal conflict, the future of Venezuelan oil, and the response of Maduro's allies in Moscow, Beijing, and Ankara, the discussion lays out three possible paths ahead—the good, the bad, and the ugly—and what a truly stable Venezuela would require in the long run.

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