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Hit by an economic crisis, food shortage and a rise in crime, the island is now a shadow of its past. Written by Leena Misra Updated: October 2, 1: Isla Margarita in Venezuela, which hosted the 17th Non-Aligned Movement summit, stands out with its mountains and beaches, and giant saguaros scattered on the Caribbean shores. Every few kilometres along the mountainous landscape, however, armed military men stand guard. A helicopter hovers overhead. Contrary to what you read about vivacious Porlamar, its shops have downed shutters. The town looks like it is under curfew. As a tax-free port, it has all the shopping avenues, the largest being the Boulevard Guevara. Margarita, which has lent its name to the popular tequila-based cocktail, was famous for its nightlife, pearls and handicrafts. Stores used to be open till 11 pm, locals will tell you. But after the economic crisis set in after , leading to food shortage and a rise in crime, the island has become a shadow of its past. Historically, Porlamar traded salt for weapons to guard its frontiers, our tour guide Natalie Gonzalez tells us, pointing at salt pans on the shore from the top of the lighthouse Faro Punta Ballena in Pampatar area. Only on Sunday afternoons do you find families swimming, sunbathing or building sand castles on beaches like Playa el agua. After a long afternoon of bathing, playing picnicking and having the local beer, people leave the beaches before sundown for fear of being mugged. The NAM summit had to be held in Isla Margarita and not the capital, Caracas, because the crime rate there is much higher. Your money and material objects can be replaced, you cannot be. A German Shepherd stands outside, waiting for orders. Its ribcage is visible under its sparse brown coat. Earlier this month, reports went viral of Venezuelans abandoning pets, as there was not enough food even for themselves. Many rooms in the hotel are occupied by police and military personnel, who are here to secure the delegates here. If travel websites told you Margarita was a place to party, and that Venezuelans loved the American dollar, they are wrong or dated. Most hotels, shops and supermarkets accept only Bolivars. The local money-changer runs out of a bag full of Bolivars after changing a handful of dollars. In the parallel market, a 1, Bolivars is worth one US dollar. In a superstore in La Asuncion, the capital of Nueva Esparta of which Isla Margarita is a part, bare shelves stare at customers. People stand in queues at counters and check out with barely a litre of milk, cornflakes and cacao. There are exceptions, like Nelly, who runs a souvenir shop here, and happily accepts dollars. As our group crowded her store, she called in help " to convert , calculate and hand back change. She chats about her father who migrated from India to Trinidad and Tobago, and then to Margarita. Arvind Upadhyay, who is employed with an Ahmedabad-based pharmaceutical company, came here in and saw happier times. As the price of crude kept dropping since , everything went southward. All shops close by 4. Beaches by 6 pm. With the food shortage, people get rations by turn. His company supplies intravenous drugs, but business has been bad. Barely two weeks before the summit began on September 17, President Maduro had been chased out of Villa Rosa, a village here, by people clanking pots and pans. Maduro has been facing noisy protests demanding a referendum on him. All business establishments around the NAM summit venue are shut. Leon, mother to a year-old boy and a year-old girl, takes the minute flight to Caracas to get supplies to run her home. The island had run out of milk, bread, rice and sugar till a month before the summit. The staple food here is fried ripe bananas and arepa, a corn patty. Queues at the supermarket checkout counter in La Asuncion; empty shelves in the same supermarket. As you drive past the town, a crowd builds up at the summit venue. At the summit venue, a window displays a tetrapack of milk in a fancy wicker basket, a stack of Nutella jars, cookies and so forth " things that are out of reach of the common Margaritan A BBC news report had said a jar of Nutella was being sold for 15, Bolivars. Ironical, for a country where everything seemed to be going wrong for its people. Gasoline cost 60 paise a litre and a peg of the famous Cacique rum costs 2, Bolivars about Rs 13, Woh

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Chapter 2 : Margarita Island

I purchased this book because I am planning a trip to Venezuela (including a week on Margarita Island) next February/March to visit some Venezuelan friends of mine.

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largest commercial district, billboards proclaim a high human development index, a low poverty rate, and.

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