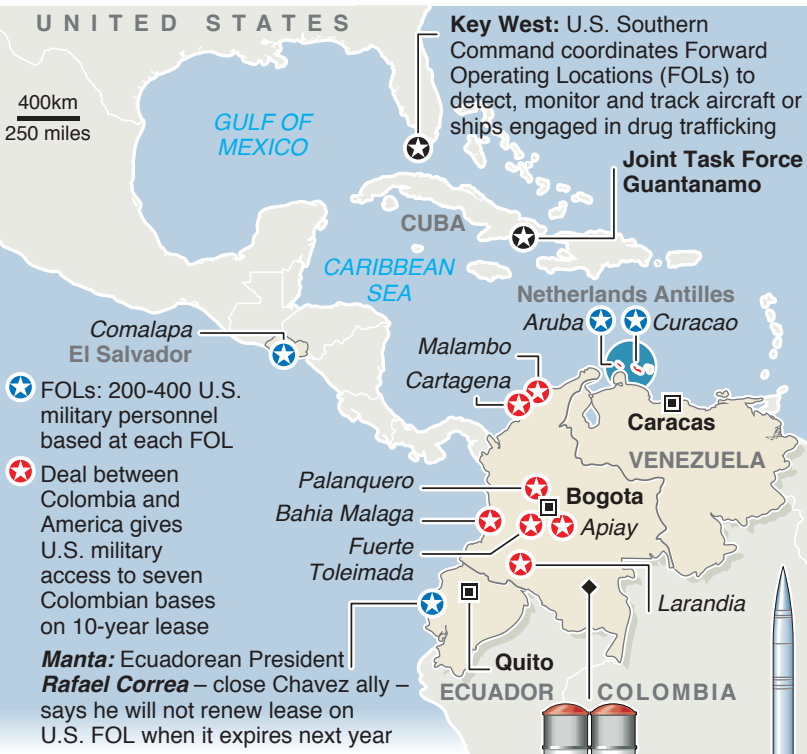


U.S. bases in Latin America

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez is to buy \$2.2 billion of weapons from Russia – including T-72S tanks, Smerch ground to ground missiles, and an S-300 anti-aircraft system – claiming Venezuela is threatened by Colombia's decision to give U.S. troops access to its military bases



S-300 Antey-2500 anti-air defence system

