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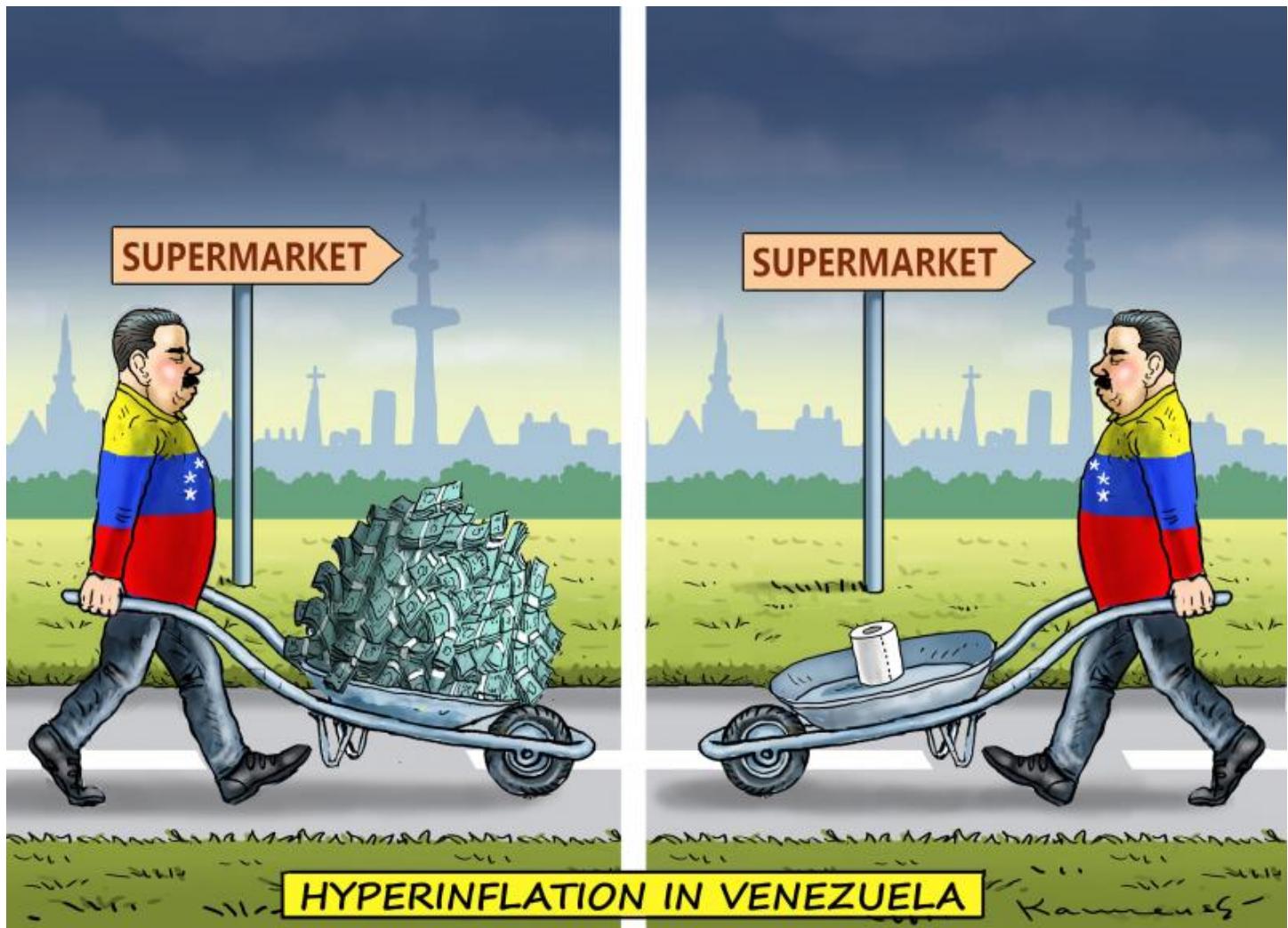
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Note 3: See this extensive [list](#) of reasonable books on climate change. As a parallel effort, we have also put together a [list](#) of some good books related to industrial wind energy. Both topics are also extensively covered on my website: [WiseEnergy.org](#).

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