

The UN General Assembly reiterates its call for an end to the US embargo against Cuba

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Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the					
 AFGHANISTAN	 CAMEROON	 FINLAND	 KUWAIT	 NEPAL	 SAUDI ARABIA
 ALBANIA	 CANADA	 FRANCE	 KYRGYZSTAN	 NETHERLAN...	 SENEGAL
 ALGERIA	 CENTRAL AF...	 GABON	 LAO PDR	 NEW ZEALAND	 SERBIA
 ANDORRA	 CHAD	 GAMBIA	 LATVIA	 NICARAGUA	 SEYCHELLES
 ANGOLA	 CHILE	 GEORGIA	 LEBANON	 NIGER	 SIERRA LEONE
 ANTIGUA-BA...	 CHINA	 GERMANY	 LESOTHO	 NIGERIA	 SINGAPORE
 ARGENTINA	 COLOMBIA	 GHANA	 LIBERIA	 NORTH MAC...	 SLOVAKIA
 ARMENIA	 COMOROS	 GREECE	 LIBYA	 NORWAY	 SLOVENIA
 AUSTRALIA	 CONGO	 GRENADA	 LIECHTENSTEIN	 OMAN	 SOLOMON IS...
 AUSTRIA	 COSTA RICA	 GUATEMALA	 LITHUANIA	 PAKISTAN	 SOMALIA
 AZERBAIJAN	 COTE D'IVOIRE	 GUINEA	 LUXEMBOURG	 PALAU	 SOUTH AFRICA
 BAHAMAS	 CROATIA	 GUINEA-BISS...	 MADAGASCAR	 PANAMA	 SOUTH SUDAN
 BAHRAIN	 CUBA	 GUYANA	 MALAWI	 PAPUA NEW ...	 SPAIN
 BANGLADESH	 CYPRUS	 HAITI	 MALAYSIA	 PARAGUAY	 SRI LANKA
 BARBADOS	 CZECHIA	 HONDURAS	 MALDIVES	 PERU	 SUDAN
 BELARUS	 DEM PR OF K...	 HUNGARY	 MALI	 PHILIPPINES	 SURINAME
 BELGIUM	 DEM REP OF ...	 ICELAND	 MALTA	 POLAND	 SWEDEN
 BELIZE	 DENMARK	 INDIA	 MARSHALL IS...	 PORTUGAL	 SWITZERLAND
 BENIN	 DJIBOUTI	 INDONESIA	 MAURITANIA	 QATAR	 SYRIAN ARA...
 BHUTAN	 DOMINICA	 IRAN (ISLAMI...	 MAURITIUS	 REP OF KOREA	 TAJIKISTAN
 BOLIVIA	 DOMINICAN ...	 IRAQ	 MEXICO	 REP OF MOL...	 THAILAND
 BOSNIA-HER...	 ECUADOR	 IRELAND	 MICRONESIA...	 ROMANIA	 TIMOR-LESTE
 BOTSWANA	 EGYPT	 ISRAEL	 MONACO	 RUSSIAN FED...	 TOGO
 BRAZIL	 EL SALVADOR	 ITALY	 MONGOLIA	 RWANDA	 TONGA
 BRUNEI DAR...	 EQUATORIAL...	 JAMAICA	 MONTENEGRO	 SAINT KITTS-...	 TRINIDAD-TO...
 BULGARIA	 ERITREA	 JAPAN	 MOROCCO	 SAINT LUCIA	 TUNISIA
 BURKINA FASO	 ESTONIA	 JORDAN	 MOZAMBIQUE	 SAINT VINCE...	 TURKMENIST...
 BURUNDI	 ESWATINI	 KAZAKHSTAN	 MYANMAR	 SAMOA	 TUVALU
 CABO VERDE	 ETHIOPIA	 KENYA	 NAMIBIA	 SAN MARINO	 TÜRKIYE
 CAMBODIA	 FIJI	 KIRIBATI	 NAURU	 SAO TOME-P...	 UGANDA
 IN FAVOUR: 187	 AGAINST: 2	 ABSTENTION: 1			

The UN General Assembly has voted overwhelmingly, with 187 votes in favour, two against (United States and Israel) and one abstention (Ukraine), against a resolution urging the United States to end the economic, commercial and financial embargo it has imposed on Cuba since 1960. This request has been repeated annually since 1992, without success so far.

The resolution, submitted by Cuba, requires countries that maintain similar laws and measures to repeal or rescind them as soon as possible. It also requests the UN Secretary General to continue to prepare annual reports on the effects of the embargo, stressing that these sanctions represent a significant obstacle to Cuba's sustainable development.

At its successive Summits of Heads of State and/or Government, the Association of Caribbean States has repeatedly called for the end to the economic, commercial and financial blockade against Cuba, its sister nation.

It is indeed regrettable that in spite of the almost unanimous vote against it at the UNGA annually, this most unjust instrument remains in place.

The ACS vehemently reiterates the Call made at its:

9th Summit , May 2023: "to the government of the United States to put an end to the economic, commercial and financial blockade that it imposes on Cuba, which has been intensified in the context of the pandemic, including its extraterritorial application, and, contrary to International Law, causes great harm to the wellbeing of the Cuban people";

8th Summit, March 2019: "Reaffirms the appeal to the government of the United States of America to put an end to the economic, trade and financial embargo it imposes on Cuba, and to repeal the Helms-Burton Act and stop its extraterritorial enforcement".

7th Summit, June 2016: "...Reiterates its deepest rejection to the application of unilateral coercive

measures and reaffirms its call to the Government of the United States to put an end to the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed on that sister nation, repeal the Helms-Burton Law and cease its extraterritorial application.”

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