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IMPACT OF SANCTIONS AND UNILATERAL COURSE OF MEASURES (Item proposed by the Republic of Namibia)

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON "THE LIFTING OF THE ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL BLOCKADE IMPOSED ON THE REPUBLIC OF CUBA BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA"

The Assembly,

- 1. **TAKES NOTE** of the continuous and illegal economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed on the Cuban Government and People;
- 2. **REAFFIRMS** its full support to the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly, "Necessity to end the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed by the United States of America against Cuba;
- 3. **REGRETS** the regression in the bilateral relations between Cuba and the United States and once again, urges the Government of the United States of America to lift the long-standing and unjustifiable economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed on the Cuban people;
- 4. **FURTHER REGRETS** the measures implemented by the Government of the United States since 9 November 2017, which strengthen the blockade and express deep concern over the widening of the extraterritorial nature of the blockade, including the full implementation of the Chapter III of the Helms-Burton Act:
- 5. **ACKNOWLEDGES** that the blockade is the main obstacle for Cuba's implementation of the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and shares this concern due to the importance that the African Union attaches to the achievement of the objectives of the said Agenda;
- 6. **REAFFIRMS** its solidarity with the People of Cuba.

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