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UPR of Cuba, 16<sup>th</sup> Session of the Human Rights Council  
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Mr. President,

Namibia warmly welcomes H.E. Mr. Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla, Minister of Foreign Affairs and his delegation.

Mr. President,

The economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba is reported by the UNCT to have a direct impact on the human development of the people of Cuba.

My delegation recommends <sup>that Cuba may consider:</sup> ~~the following to Cuba~~

1. To increase, within its limited resources, its capacity to achieve the MDGs and the right to development to all her people.

2. Continue with the policy of National Reconciliation as this is the best way to proper and <sup>Nations building</sup> ~~build the nation~~. Namibia went through this path after the South African Apartheid regime was defeated at Kwito Cwanaval. <sup>to which Cuba contributed.</sup>

I thank you Mr. President.