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Permanent Mission

of the Republic of Angola

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**44th Session of the UPR Working Group**

**UPR of Cuba**

15 November, 9h – 12h30

**STATEMENT OF ANGOLA**

**Mr. President,**

Angola welcomes the sister delegation of Cuba, and values its constructive cooperation with the UN human rights bodies.

We commend national authorities for sparing no efforts to improving the human rights situation despite the economic and social challenges due to unilateral coercive measures imposed to the country.

Angola also commends Cuba for the adoption of the National Program to fight against Racism and Racial Discrimination, as well as the new Criminal Code.

In a constructive spirit**,** Angola recommends Cuba the following:

1. Continue Extending social protection coverage to vulnerable populations;
2. To better prison conditions for all inmates.

Angola wishes Cuba a successful UPR

**I thank you Mr. President.**