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**Letter dated 15 January 2021 from the Permanent Representative  
of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General  
and the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to transmit herewith the statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cuba dated 11 January 2021 on the inclusion of Cuba in the list of State sponsors of terrorism of the United States Department of State (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 114, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Pedro Luis **Pedroso Cuesta**  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative



**Annex to the letter dated 15 January 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

**Statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cuba**

Havana, 11 January 2021

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs condemns in the strongest possible terms the fraudulent designation of Cuba as a State sponsor of terrorism, which was announced by the Government of the United States in a cynical and hypocritical move.

For months now, there has been speculation that Cuba might be included on the unilateral list established by the Department of State, through which it designates countries, although it has no mandate or legitimacy to do so and no genuine motivation relating to terrorism and its consequences, and which it uses as an instrument to defame and impose coercive economic measures against countries that refuse to bow to the whims of United States imperialism.

The announcement by the Secretary of State, Michael Pompeo, is an arrogant act by a discredited, dishonest and morally bankrupt government. There is no doubt that the real aim of this action is to create additional impediments to any prospect of restoring bilateral relations between Cuba and the United States.

Cuba is not a State sponsor of terrorism, a truth that is recognized by all. Through its official and well-known policy and its irreproachable conduct, our country rejects terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, in particular State terrorism, by whomever, against whomever and wherever it is committed.

Cuba is a State victim of terrorism and our people have suffered from it first-hand. A total of 3,478 people have died and 2,099 have been left with disabilities as a result of acts committed by the Government of the United States, or perpetrated and sponsored from that country's territory and condoned by the official authorities. The Cuban people reject and hold in contempt any ploy that aims to exploit such a sensitive issue out of crass political opportunism.

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