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## IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 60/251 OF 15 MARCH 2006 ENTITLED "HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL"

Cuba: draft decision

2006/... The use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination

The Human Rights Council, recalling resolution 2005/2 of 7 April 2005 of the Commission on Human Rights and taking note of the report of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination (E/CN.4/2006/11), decides:

- (a) To authorize the Working Group to hold three sessions per year;
- (b) To request the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to convene a high-level round table to discuss the fundamental question of the role of the State as the primary holder of the monopoly on the use of force, with the objective of facilitating a critical understanding as to the responsibilities of different actors in the current context, including private military and security companies, and their respective obligations for the protection and promotion of human rights.

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