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Mr. Chairman,

First and foremost, allow me to greet you and the rest of the Bureau. I also wish to express the support of my delegation to the statement by Sudan on behalf of the G-77 and China.

Mr. Chairman,

There have been many achievements on the implementation of Beijing Platform for Action and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. Nonetheless, the implementation of the Platform for Action remains incomplete.

Mr. Chairman,

The elimination of the violence against women also requires the elimination of unilateral

coercive measures. Cuba reaffirms that the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed unilaterally by the US Government for over half a century against

Cuba constitutes a genocide act and the major form of violence against women.

Rich countries, accountable for the dismal international panorama, must understand the effects of current crises go beyond the underdeveloped South and call for immediate solutions and collaboration formulae. Today more than ever, the realization of the right to development of our peoples is indispensable to move towards the advancement of

women in the countries of the South.

Cuba will continue to share its efforts

