

Statements Analysis

CUBA

SESSION 1: 7 - 18 APRIL 2008

States under Review: Bahrain, Ecuador, Tunisia, Morocco, Indonesia, Finland, the United Kingdom, India, Brazil, the Philippines, Algeria, Poland, the Netherlands, South Africa, the Czech Republic, and Argentina.

I. PARTICIPATION: 14/16

During the first session of the UPR, Cuba took the floor on 14 States under Review (out of 16). The delegation did not take the floor for the review on Argentina and Morocco.

II. STATEMENTS CLASSIFICATION

- **By States individually**

Supporting or Neutral Statements: (9/14) - 64.3%

Cuba made 9 supporting or neutral statements (out of the 14 statement made) for the reviews on Bahrain, Ecuador, Tunisia, Indonesia, India, Brazil, the Philippines, Algeria, and South Africa.

Critical Statements: (5/14) - 35.7%

Cuba made 5 critical statements (out of the 14 statement made) for the reviews on Finland, the United Kingdom, Poland, the Netherlands, and the Czech Republic.

- **By regional group**

Cuba belongs to the Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC).

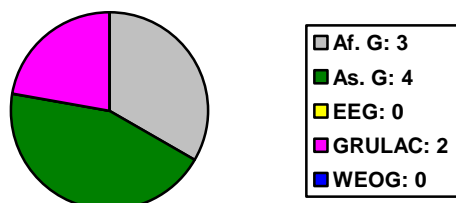
The following table indicates the partition of supporting or neutral statements, and critical statements within regional groups:

Regional Group \ Statements	African Group (3) ¹	Asian Group (4)	EEG (2)	GRULAC (2)	WEOG (3)
Supporting or neutral statements	3/3: 100%	4/4: 100%	0/2	2/2: 100%	0/3
Critical Statements	0/3	0/4	2/2: 100%	0/2	3/3: 100%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

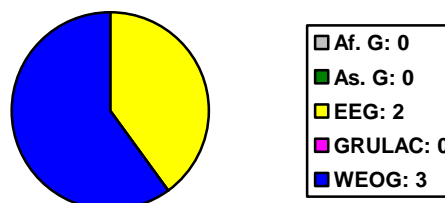
Read as follows: 100% of all the statements made by Cuba on States from the African Group were supporting or neutral.

The following graphics indicate an alternative way to read the data. They show the partition of supporting or neutral statements, and critical statements sorted by regional group:

Supporting or neutral statements sorted by regional group



Critical statements sorted by regional group



	Supporting Statements (9)	Critical Statements (5)
African Group	3/9: 33.3%	0/5
Asian Group	4/9: 44.4%	0/5
EEG	0/9	2/5: 40%
GRULAC	2/9: 22.2%	0/5
WEOG	0/9	3/5: 60%
Total	100%	100%

Read as follows: 33.3% of all the supporting or neutral statements made by Cuba were on States from the African Group.

III. STATEMENTS DETAILS

o By States individually

The following section indicates the partition of appraisals, remarks, concerns, and recommendations contained in Cuba's statements sorted by States.

Appraisals on human rights policies: (11/14) - 78.6%

Cuba made appraisals on 11 States: Bahrain, Ecuador, Tunisia, Indonesia, Finland, India, Brazil, the Philippines, Algeria, Poland, and South Africa.

¹ Total number of States in the regional group on which Mexico made a statement.

Remarks on human rights issues: (10/14) - 71.4%

Cuba made remarks on 10 States: Bahrain, Ecuador, Tunisia, Indonesia, Finland, the United Kingdom, Brazil, the Philippines, Poland, and the Netherlands.

Concerns on human rights issues: (5/14) – 35.7%

Cuba expressed concerns on 5 States: Finland, the United Kingdom, Poland, the Netherlands, and the Czech Republic.

Recommendations: (6/14) – 42.85%

Cuba made recommendations on 6 States: Tunisia, the United Kingdom, Algeria, Poland, the Netherlands, and the Czech Republic.

o **By regional group**

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The following table indicates the partition of appraisals, remarks, concerns, and recommendations contained in Cuba's statements within regional groups:

Regional Group \ Statements	African Group (3)	Asian Group (4)	EASTERN EU (2)	GRULAC (2)	WEOG (3)
Appraisals	3/3: 100%	4/4: 100%	1/2: 50%	2/2: 100%	1/3: 33.3%
Remarks	1/3: 33.3%	3/4: 75%	1/2: 50%	2/2: 100%	3/3: 100%
Concerns	0/3	0/4	2/2: 100%	0/3	3/3: 100%
Recommendations	2/3: 66.6%	0/4	2/2: 100%	0/3	2/3: 66.6%

Read as follows: 100% of all the statements made by Cuba on States from the African Group contained appraisals.

The following table indicates an alternative way to read the data. It shows the partition of appraisals, remarks, concerns and recommendations contained in Cuba's statements sorted by regional group:

	Appraisals (11)	Remarks (10)	Concerns (5)	Recommendations (6)
African Group	3/11: 27.3%	1/10: 10%	0/5	2/6: 33.3%
Asian Group	4/11: 36.4%	3/10: 30%	0/5	0/6
EEG	1/11: 9.1%	1/10: 10%	2/5: 40%	2/6: 33.3%
GRULAC	2/11: 23.1%	2/10: 20%	0/5	0/6
WEOG	1/11: 18.2%	3/10: 30%	3/5: 60%	2/6: 33.3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Read as follows: 27.3% of all the appraisals made by Cuba were on States from the African Group.

ANNEX 1 – LIST OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES RAISED

Human Rights Issues	States under Review	Remarks	Concerns	Recommendations
Civil society - NGOs	Bahrain	X		
Development (including solidarity, debt)	Tunisia	X		
	Finland		X	
Economic, social and cultural rights	Tunisia	X		X
	Algeria			X
Education	Bahrain	X		
	Ecuador	X		
Freedom of opinion and expression	United Kingdom	X		
Freedom of religion and belief	Netherlands		X	
Health	Finland	X		
	Algeria			X
Human rights while countering terrorism / Counter-terrorism legislation	United Kingdom		X	X
	Poland		X	
	Netherlands	X		X
	Czech Republic		X	X
International human rights instruments (including their implementation in national legislations, coop. with Treaty bodies)	Indonesia	X		
	United Kingdom		X	X
	Poland	X		
	Netherlands	X		X
	Czech Republic			X
Minorities	Czech Republic		X	X
Poverty	Philippines	X		
Prison conditions	Ecuador	X		
Racism/racial discrimination	United Kingdom	X		
	Netherlands		X	
	Czech Republic		X	X
Right to food	Brazil	X		
Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	Czech Republic		X	X
Women's rights	Tunisia			X
	Poland	X		X

ANNEX 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS

List of the **12** recommendations submitted by Cuba during the first session and contained in Reports of the Working Group:

- **To Tunisia - A/HRC/8/21**

- To pursue its programmes and consolidated approach in the promotion and protection of all human rights including in the empowerment of women.

- To continue its efforts in the field of economic social and cultural rights

- **To the United Kingdom - A/HRC/8/25**

- To continue to review all counter-terrorism legislation and ensure that it complies with the highest human rights standards.

- To study, with a view to withdraw, its reservation to article 4 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

- **To Algeria - A/HRC/8/29**

- To continue and strengthen its efforts in the field of economic, social and cultural rights, in particular in the field of health.

- **To Poland - A/HRC/8/30**

- To continue to promote the participation of women in the public and political life of the country until they have gradually achieved a level of gender equality

- **To the Netherlands - A/HRC/8/31**

- To implement all the articles of International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

- To consider revising all anti-terrorism legislation to bring it in line with the highest human rights standards

- **To the Czech Republic - A/HRC/8/33**

- To adopt effective measures such as the establishment of an institution or specific mechanism tasked to monitor the situation of Roma, including the compilation of disaggregated data on education, health, employment and housing, which should be an independent body empowered to receive complaints about excessive use of force and ill-treatment against Roma by the Czech police

- To adopt all measures to comply with its obligations under CERD, in particular to prohibit and punish organization of and participation in neo-Nazi demonstrations

- To undertake urgent investigation on the allegation of secret flights of the CIA and take measures to prevent the use of its airports for such purposes

- To abolish the practice of caged beds in all health-care and social care facilities

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