

## COMMENTS ON THE UNFPA DRAFT COUNTRY PROGRAMME DOCUMENT FOR CUBA

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Comments by United States	UNFPA country/regional office response to comments
<p>Paragraph 27, page 8: The United States is deeply dismayed to find blatant and overt political messages in this Country Program Document, with Cuba, yet again, blaming the United States for negative outcomes resulting from the Cuban Regime's own economic mismanagement. Such overt and inappropriate political references undermine the purpose and credibility of Country Program Documents. The Country Program Document process and assessment review should remain focused on the technical work outlined in the Country Program Document.</p> <p>The Country Program Document's claim that U.S. actions limit Cuba's access to health supplies and technology is false. The Cuban Regime alone is responsible for the abysmal consequences of its policies.</p> <p>The United States rejects the claim that the U.S. embargo is responsible for Cuba's poor economic performance, when in fact Cuba's debts, corruption, and command-economy policies are the true causes. The document includes praise for Cuba's economic strategy and financial access while ignoring the regime's failure to pay billions of dollars of debts, its misuse of resources on tourism projects, and the worsening living conditions of its people, while backtracking their own policies for small and medium enterprises.</p>	<p>UNFPA appreciates the comments provided by the United States. These comments have been duly noted and transmitted to the Cuban Government.</p>