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parameters and with what authority will decide which States have deficits in

economic, monetary and financial organizations, so that these serve to the development of the peoples rather than to the permanent enrichment of a few.

Cuba also reiterates its commitment to working towards a broad and profound reform of the Security Council in order to turn it into an inclusive, transparent and democratic organ that reflects the genuine interests of the international

United Nations.

Mr. Chairman,

It is worrying and incongruous that the report on the strengthening and coordinating United Nations Rule of Law activities focuses its attention on compliance with the standards included in a Security Council Resolution.

The report does not refer, for example, to the Rule of Law at international level

Cuba notes with concern the attempts to impose a concept on the Rule of Law and to create a monitoring mechanism beyond the Sixth Committee of the United Nations General Assembly.

We reject any attempt to politicize the issue, under the argument of its alleged cross-cutting nature. The delegations participating in the work of the Sixth Committee represent all States; thus they are fully capable of discussing any issue we decide by consensus.

As a sign of its commitment to the search for peaceful solutions to long-standing conflicts, Cuba has made significant contributions to consolidating the Rule of

Law in our region.

We reaffirm the Proclamation of Latin America and the Caribbean as a Zone of

In this regard, we stress that in a global context marked by growing threat

of State sovereignty; policies of domination through the use of force; attempts to reimpose a unipolar order; breaches of international law; threatening and arbitrary termination of international treaties; increase of unilateral sanctions and trade wars; the only possible response is to preserve and ratify multilateralism, based on strict respect for the principles of international law and the Charter of the United Nations.

Mr. Chairman,