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Amendment 2
to
RES 31984 – Cuba COVID-19 Collaboration
Sponsor: CM Mosqueda

Correcting the status of U.S.-Cuba diplomatic relations and requesting reversal of Cuba's designation as a terrorist state

Amend the following as shown:

Section 3. The Seattle City Council calls on our U.S. Congress and the future Executive Administration of President-Elect Joe Biden and Vice-President-Elect Kamala Harris to reverse the recent State Department designation of Cuba as a terrorist state, restore full diplomatic relations with Cuba, end the decades-long economic blockade, and engage in all mutually beneficial areas of human endeavor.

Effect: This amendment first adds recognition of the State Department's recent designation of Cuba as a State Sponsor of Terrorism and asks for removal of that designation.

In addition, without the addition of the word "full" in the clause regarding diplomatic relations, the language implies that the United States does not have any diplomatic relations with Cuba. However, the current administration does have some diplomatic relations with Cuba, albeit at a reduced level. This amendment requests full restoration of diplomatic relations with Cuba.