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The Right Honourable Mark Carney  
Prime Minister of Canada  
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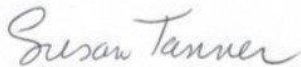
Dear Prime Minister Carney,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Group of 78, I am writing to urge the Government of Canada to provide emergency assistance to Cuba. The blockade imposed by the United States will precipitate a humanitarian calamity for most Cubans that is completely unjustified and entirely preventable.

We do not accept that Cuba represents a threat to U.S. national security and should not face trade sanctions on that account or for any other reasons. The recent announcement by the United States to thwart oil imports by Cuba is particularly reprehensible. It not only threatens livelihoods in Cuba; it also disrupts plans of many visitors to Cuba from around the world.

We call upon Canada to join with Mexico, its CUSMA partner, and other countries to seek an urgent diplomatic solution with the U.S. that would allow humanitarian aid and imports of oil, renewable energy, and other commodities by Cuba without facing retaliatory tariffs from the United States. Indeed, Canada should demand the lifting of all sanctions against Cuba.

Respectfully yours,



Susan Tanner, Vice-Chair



Roy Culpeper, Past Chair