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**delivered by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN
Office and other International Organizations in Geneva,
on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement
for the presentation of the draft Resolution on the negative impact of unilateral
coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights (A/HRC/49/L.6)
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Thank you, Mr. President,

On behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), we are presenting the traditional draft Resolution L.6 entitled “The negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights”.

The Non-Aligned Movement has been consistently expressing its firm position with regard to unilateral coercive measures that impede the enjoyment of human rights by individuals in targeted Member States.

The Heads of State and Government of the Non-Aligned Movement at its XVIII Summit in 2019, reiterated their objection to all unilateral coercive measures, including those measures used as tools for political or economic and financial pressure against any country, in particular against developing countries, which violates the Charter of the United Nations, rules and principles of international law. NAM leaders reaffirmed that under no circumstances should people be deprived of their own means of subsistence and development. They further expressed their concern at the continued imposition of such measure which hinder the well-being of population of the affected countries and that create obstacles to the full realization of their human rights.

Having said that, we would like to present draft Resolution L.6, which has been drafted based on Resolution 46/5, adopted by this Council last year.

In the draft resolution the principles of sovereign equality of States, non-intervention and non-interference into their internal affairs, and freedom of international trade and navigation are reaffirmed, and the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on human rights, right to development, international relations, trade, investment and cooperation is highlighted.

This text reiterating the determined position of NAM against unilateral coercive measures, was also consulted with other States and partners. It takes note of the latest reports of the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights, and invites her to engage with scholars, researchers and others in the academic community to encourage research that is relevant to the mandate.

Bearing in mind the continuing impact of unilateral coercive measures on the population of least developed and developing countries, the Human Rights Council in the draft Resolution L.6 requests the High Commissioner, in discharging her functions relating to the right to development, to give priority to this Resolution in her annual Report.

The NAM Member States once again stress the importance of strengthening international cooperation, necessary to address the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights.

We call on all Member States of this Council, to give their support to the draft Resolution L.6.

Thank you.