CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF
UNLAWFUL ACTS AGAINST THE SAFETY OF MARITIME NAVIGATION
AND THE DRAFT PROTOCOL FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL
ACTS AGAINST THE SAFETY OF FIXED PLATFORMS LOCATED
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Observations submitted by the Government of Cuba

Cuba suggests the insertion in the preamble to the draft Convention of a
text worded as follows:

"RECALLING resolution A-42-832 adopted on 3 December 1987 by the General
Assembly of the United Nations reaffirming the inalienable right to self-
determination and independence of all peoples under colonial and racist regimes
and other forms of alien domination and upholding the legitimacy of their
struggle, in particular the struggle of national liberation movements, in
accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter and of the Declaration
on the Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and
Co-operation among States, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations."

In the text of the draft Convention:

In accordance with the principle contained in article 5 recognizing the
right of every State Party to make the offences set forth in article 3 punishable
by appropriate penalties which take into account the grave nature of those offences,
a principle reaffirmed in article 12, paragraph 2, which makes it incumbent on
States Parties to carry out their obligations under paragraph 1 of the same article
in conformity with treaties on mutual judicial assistance that may exist between
them, the Republic of Cuba proposes the insertion of an article, which might be article 15(bis), worded as follows:

Article 15(bis)

For the effective attainment of the objectives of this Convention, the Parties shall undertake the analysis and study of bilateral agreements in order to co-operate in the implementation of their provisions.