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## German Govt Rejects Blockade Against Cuba

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At a parliamentary debate, the German government once again condemned the United States blockade against Cuba.

In a question made by Socialist MEP Wolfgang Gehrcke, the Minister of State at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Michael Roth, highlighted the annual vote of Germany in the General Assembly of the United Nations. Just like in previous years, the European Union has voted once more for the lifting of the U.S. blockade against Cuba, stated Roth in the parliamentary debate.

The Minister of State answered several questions of the MEP Gehrcke on the German government's position on the blockade and its extraterritorial effects. According to Roth, among the European countries there is a 'great consensus' with regard to reject this Washington's policy.

There are very few members of the United States at the international level who support this decision, highlighted the government official, referring to the votes in the annual UN General Assembly.

In response to Gehrcke's question on the German reasons to reject the blockade, Roth said: 'The German government believes the U.S. measures are illegal in view of their extraterritorial effects.' In addition, the German government was willing to support legally and politically the German companies that suffer sanctions by the U.S. authorities.