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Pedro Freyre Explains Meaning of Helms-Burton Act, Potential Impact on U.S.-International Relations to National Media

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Pedro Freyre, chair of Akerman’s International Practice, spoke to the *Associated Press*, *Miami Herald*, and *Financial Times* about the upcoming deadline to continue suspending Title III of the Helms-Burton Act, which gives Americans the right to sue companies profiting from properties confiscated by Cuba’s government. Every U.S. President since Bill Clinton has suspended the clause “because of its potential to alienate U.S. allies and complicate any future American detente with Cuba,” according to the *AP*.

Freyre explained to the *AP*, “This will have a chilling on anybody who is thinking about doing business. It just makes engagement extremely difficult.”

Associated Press: Trump weighs dramatic tightening of US embargo on Cuba

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