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HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL  
17<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE UPR  
REVIEW OF JORDAN  
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STATEMENT BY NIGERIA

Mr. President,

The Nigerian delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and thanks them for the presentation of their UPR report. We commend the Jordanian authorities for the effort put into the preparation of this report, and for their involvement of relevant stakeholders, including representatives of NGOs and civil society organisations.

We also commend the government for the gains made in the promotion and protection of the rights of Jordanians, especially in the areas of education, health, rights of women and children, and persons with disabilities.

We would like to make the following recommendations:

- i. Intensify efforts to boost the status of women and eliminate all forms of violence against them.
- ii. Continue to take measures to protect children against economic exploitation and violence.
- iii. Continue with efforts to raise the living standards of persons with disabilities.

I thank you.

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