

Statement by the delegation of Cambodia for UPR of Nigeria
At the 17th Session of the UPR WG of the HRC
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Mr. President,

- 1 First of all, on behalf of the Cambodia delegation, I would like to express my warm welcome to the delegation of Nigeria, led by H.E. to the 17th Session of the UPR Working Group. We thank the delegation for the presentation of its National Report at the second cycle of UPR Process.
- 2 Cambodia take note with appreciation of the efforts made by Nigeria in the promotion and protection of human rights in the country after the first UPR cycle, especially by undertaking measures which include, among others, constitutional amendment to grant financial autonomy to the Independent National Electoral Commission, establishment of Federal Justice Sector Reform Coordinating Committee to pursue all inclusive justice sector reforms, and strengthening its human rights institutions by amending the Human Rights Commission Act, the Legal Aid Act and the Law Reform Commission Act.
- 3 We welcome the Nigeria's Economic Transformation Blueprint: Nigeria's Vision 20: 2020 which represents a long term plan that aims at stimulating socio-economic development as well as promoting and protecting human rights in the country.
- 4 We also welcome Nigeria's accession to a number of international human rights instruments for the last 4 years which include, among others, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Convention on the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crime of Genocide as well as a number of other Optional Protocols. These accessions reflect Nigeria's strong commitments to protecting human rights in the country in conformity with the international standard.
- 5 With a view to further promoting human rights protection in the country, Cambodia wishes to make the following recommendations for the consideration of Nigeria:
 - a. To further implement concrete measures and policies to combat trafficking of children and child labor in the country.
 - b. To further raise public awareness on the equal rights of women, persons with disabilities and religious minorities for social integration and harmony. Thank you, Mr. President!