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Mr. President,

The Republic of Moldova welcomes the delegation of Nigeria and would like to thank for the presentation of the National Report.

We recognize the positive developments on human rights issues since the last UPR review. In particular, we acknowledge the accession to a number of international core human rights instruments and, in this respect, would like to encourage the Government to enact all treaties into domestic legislation and submit pending reports to the relevant Treaty Bodies.

The Republic of Moldova notes with appreciation the conduct of the reform of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) which enabled it to regain the status "A" according to the Paris Principles. We additionally welcome the commitment of integrating UPR recommendations in the *National Human Rights Action Plan for 2014-2018* and encourage Nigeria to use this framework for formulating priority tasks and concrete benchmarks for implementation, in broad consultations with civil society and local authorities.

The Republic of Moldova would like to address the following recommendations:

- *To accelerate the adoption and full implementation at the federal, state and local levels of the Gender and Equal Opportunities bill, and the Violence against Persons Prohibition Bill, in compliance with the CEDAW provisions;*
- *To take measures to prevent the sexual abuse, neglect and trafficking of children, child prostitution and pornography, in line with commitments under the OP-CRC-SC;*
- *To continue measures to provide human rights training and capacity building to civil servants and law enforcement officials, in line with the World Programme for Human Rights Education;*

I thank you.