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# Intervention by Dr. Catherine SANGA, Acting Permanent Representative, Tanzania mission to UN, Geneva, During the Review on the Federal Republic of Nigeria

#### Mr. President,

Tanzania welcomes the entire delegation of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the second cycle session of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR).

### Mr. President,

We welcome the initiatives undertaken by the Nigeria government in putting in place a number of legal frameworks in order to bring them in line with the relevant international conventions.

We commend the government providing free education at primary level. We are pleased to note the positive outcome of the programme on children enrollment to school. On this account, we wish to encourage the government to continue reinforcing its efforts by supporting the most vulnerable and less privileged children to complete their studies.

#### Mr. President,

My delegation takes note of the efforts by the government of Nigeria in promoting internal security and peace in the Northeast regions. We notice the positive outcome and encourage the government to intensify its efforts in searching for just and lasting peace in regions in

order to bring a final end to hostilities and ensure the return of all displaced persons and refugees to their home villages and towns.

My delegation recommends that the international community continues lending necessary cooperation with the government of Nigeria in fulfilling its objectives.

## Mr. President,

Lastly, my delegation urges the office of the office for High Commissioner for Human Rights to heed to the government of Nigeria's request for an urgent technical support in the promotion and protection of human rights obligations.

I thank you,