

HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL  
19TH SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP  
REVIEW OF DRC  
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Statement by Nigeria

Mr President,

Nigeria warmly welcomes the delegation of the Democratic Republic of Congo to the Human Rights Council and thanks them for their UPR report. We acknowledge DRC's continued engagement with the OHCHR, its stated commitment to the UPR process and its International human rights obligations.

2. My delegation is encouraged by the efforts the DRC has deployed toward promoting and protecting the human rights of its people. However, we note that there are deficits.

3. Recognizing that the Democratic Republic of Congo has been through tenuous moments in its history, which has accounted for an imbalance in the adaptation of several international conventions, Nigeria invites the DRC to intensify efforts more practically, in ensuring that its people are not deprived of human rights and basic freedoms.

4. We urge the Government of the DRC to raise the level of its toil in protecting human rights, in order to provide basic education, good health care delivery system and guarantee the non-violation of women and child rights in consonance with global standards. As we call on the international community to support the DRC in all areas they require, Nigeria wishes the DRC a successful review.

I thank you.