

**HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL - 23<sup>RD</sup> SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP  
(2<sup>ND</sup> - 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2015):**

**REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW  
OF NEPAL ON WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2015**

**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF GHANA DELIVERED BY MR. JOSEPH  
OWUSU-ANSAH, FIRST SECRETARY, ON WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2015**

I thank you Mr. President for giving me the floor

Ghana welcomes the distinguished delegation of Nepal and commends them for their commitment to the UPR mechanism. My delegation is gratified to note that Nepal has demonstrated strong commitment to upholding and ratifying core international human rights instruments.

We also note that Nepal has taken steps to improve some normative and structural human rights framework and implemented recommendations made by member States of this Council during their first UPR cycle, including, among others things, significant improvement in the security system, the establishment of transitional justice mechanisms and improvement in the functioning of the criminal justice system.

We however recommend that Nepal continues cooperation with the UN System, and ratify the following treaties:

- The Rome Statute of the ICC;
- The ICPPED; and
- The Optional Protocol of the CAT

We wish Nepal every success with their UPR.

I thank you Mr. President.