



Statement

By The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on the Universal Periodic Review of the Republic of Niger

Mr. President,

Ethiopia welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Niger led by H.E. Amadou Marou, Minister of Justice of the Republic of Niger, to the 24th UPR session. We thank for the national report and the oral update.

We commend Niger's effort to enhance significant advances in the ratification of human rights instruments and strengthen its national regulatory frameworks by putting a follow-up mechanism to the implementation of recommendations made in the first UPR cycle.

We particularly note with appreciation the establishment of a counter-terrorism institutional framework, composed mainly of a National Security Council, a Counter-terrorist Judicial Unit and a central Counter-terrorism Office in order to better contain the terrorist threat.

My delegation believes that economic development will enable countries to better enhance the protection and promotion of human rights. Therefore, we encourage Niger to continue working towards the country's socio-economic development that sustains to support the vulnerable groups.

My delegation recommends Niger;

1. To further continue taking effective counter-terrorism measures as terrorism is a cause for serious human rights abuses in the Country.
2. To continue implementing economic and social development programmes in order to fight poverty.

Finally, my delegation wishes all the best to the delegation of Niger in its engagement with the Human Rights Council.

Thank you