Statement of the Islamic Republic of Iran 24st Session of the UPR Working Group Review of The Republic of the Niger 18 January 2016

In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Mr. President,

At the outset, we would like to welcome the delegation of the Republic of the Niger and thank them for comprehensive and informative national report presented to the Working Group.

We take note of the efforts of the Government of Niger made for promotion and protection of human rights despite the many challenges the country is facing.

The Niger's progress in the area of health, particularly reducing neonatal and maternal mortality rates as well as implementing different programmes on access to education for children are worth to be noted. Furthermore, we applaud Niger's continuous efforts to combat human trafficking by the adopting the National Action Plan on Combatting Human Trafficking in 2014.

Mr. President,

We would like to make the following recommendations for consideration by the Niger:

- To continue its efforts to promote and protect the rights of children and of persons with disabilities;
- To further strengthen its national legislation to combat trafficking in persons.

Thank you
