

HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL  
25<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE UPR  
REVIEW OF SWAZILAND  
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**STATEMENT BY NIGERIA**

Mr. President,

Nigeria welcomes the delegation of the Kingdom of Swaziland and her UPR presentation.

2. We commend the government's broad consultations in the implementation of her UPR process including the workshop organized for stakeholders at Ezulwini. It is pleasing to note that Swaziland has put in place an institutional framework to help improve her human rights records in addition to ratifying a number of human rights related regional and international instruments.

3. As a demonstration of her resolve to implements these commitments despite some challenges, Swaziland has among others developed an extended multi-sectorial strategic framework 2014-2018 to fight HIV-AIDS; in addition to addressing the twin issue of stigma and discrimination of those living with AIDS.

4 In other sectors, the government has made remarkable progress in increasing primary school enrolment and constructed more schools; it has also carried out a number of reforms in the judiciary and training of police and security forces with focus on human rights.

Mr. President,

5. Despite the achievements made, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations:

- I) Swaziland should accelerate the process of ratifying the Convention Against Torture through its legislature; and accede to the Convention on Enforced Disappearance CED; and
- II) Overcome the challenges and constraints in the free primary education programme, particularly the social factors that limit enrolment for primary education and shortage of appropriately qualified teachers.

6. We wish Swaziland success in her review.

I thank you.

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