

HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL
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STATEMENT BY NIGERIA

Mr. President,

Nigeria welcomes the delegation of Thailand and commends her UPR presentation. Nigeria commends the government of Thailand for initiating a new constitution and its pledge to address social and economic inequalities; and attaching great importance to the protection and promotion of human rights of all groups of people.

2. It bears mentioning that Thailand has put in place a robust human rights plan from 2014-2018, expected to consolidate its previous plans and to identify 11 issues and 15 target groups. We commend the various pieces of legislations it has passed on human rights related issues in 2015; and her efforts in instituting economic, social and cultural rights.

3. We further commend the government's effort to protect the right to work of all persons and her implementation of ILO Convention number 187 for the safety of workers; and ILO Conventions 87 and 98, which reinforce the right of workers to freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining. Thailand has also signed a series of MOU with neighbouring countries such as Myanmar, Vietnam, Cambodia and Lao PDR to prevent labour trafficking.

Mr. President,

4. My delegation would like to make the following recommendations:

- I) We urge the government of Thailand to achieve the remaining target of boys and girls primary and secondary education, and address the quality and inequality in education;
- II) Reduce infant mortality rate and improve maternal health care in remote areas;
- III) Address the issue of human rights in the pursuit of economic growth in local areas; and
- IV) Urge Thailand to ratify the Refugee Convention.

I thank you.
