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Mr. President,

Bulgaria welcomes the high level Delegation of Nigeria and thanks for the presentation of the national report.

We appreciate the positive developments in the legislative framework of Nigeria after the Third UPR cycle, and particularly the enactment of the Child Rights Act and Violence Against Persons Prohibition Act in most states of the country.

Bulgaria notes with appreciation the adoption and implementation of the National Action Plan for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, 2022–2026.

We recognize the efforts of the Nigerian Federal Government to facilitate women’s economic empowerment, particularly in rural areas.

Bulgaria would like to make the following recommendations to Nigeria:

1. Adopt and implement measures to ensure full access to education especially for children in vulnerable situation, such as children with disabilities, children in street situations, and girls.
2. Take appropriate steps to promote domestification and implementation of the National Disability Act in all states.

We wish the Delegation of Nigeria a successful review!

Thank you, Mr. President.