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HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

30TH SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE UPR

REVIEW OF CABO VERDE

8TH MAY, 2018

**STATEMENT BY NIGERIA**

Mr Vice President,

Nigeria warmly welcomes the delegation of Cabo Verde to the presentation of their National Report, for the Third Cycle of the UPR. We commend the Government of Cabo Verde for its continued cooperation with human rights mechanisms, and its efforts in the implementation of the previous recommendations.

2. Nigeria notes with encouragement the various efforts by the Government of Cabo Verde in the promotion and protection of human rights, especially the rights of children and persons with disabilities. We also commend the strengthening of the country’s legal frameworks to combat trafficking in persons, and to ensure effective rule of law.

3. In the spirit of constructive dialogue, and while acknowledging the various efforts of the Government of Cabo Verde in upholding human rights and fundamental freedoms, Nigeria wishes to offer the following recommendations to Cabo Verde:

1. To sustain and scale up its efforts in combating trafficking in persons; and
2. To intensify its on-going efforts towards the fulfilment of its human rights obligations.

4. We wish Cabo Verde a very successful review process.

I thank you Mr Vice President

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