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HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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REVIEW OF NEW ZEALAND

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**STATEMENT BY NIGERIA**

Mr President,

Nigeria welcomes the delegation of New Zealand to the presentation of its Third Cycle UPR National Report. We commend the Government of New Zealand for its cooperation with human rights mechanisms, and its efforts in implementing the previous recommendations.

2. Nigeria notes with encouragement, New Zealand’s commitment to the promotion and protection of the human rights of its people. We applaud the Government of New Zealand for its strategy on migrants’ settlement and integration, as well as its measures to prevent the exploitation of migrant workers. The country’s Plan of Action to prevent and combat human trafficking is also commendable.

3. In the spirit of constructive dialogue, Nigeria wishes to offer the following recommendations to New Zealand:

1. To continue with its efforts in addressing all forms of discriminations against migrants; and
2. To redouble efforts in addressing human trafficking.

4. In conclusion, we wish New Zealand every success in its review process.

I thank you Mr President.

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