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HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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REVIEW OF YEMEN

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**STATEMENT BY NIGERIA**

Mr President,

Nigeria warmly welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Yemen to the presentation of the country’s Third Cycle UPR National Report, and thank them for the comprehensive update provided today. We commend the Government of Yemen for its continued cooperation with human rights mechanisms, as well as its efforts in implementing the previous recommendations.

2. Nigeria further commends the Government of Yemen for the various measures adopted with a view to ensuring the enjoyment of human rights by its people, especially women and children. We appreciate Yemen’s efforts in ensuring that its people have access to education and health care services.

3. While acknowledging the various efforts of the Government of Yemen in upholding human rights, and in the spirit of constructive dialogue, Nigeria wishes to make the following recommendations to Yemen:

1. Not to relent in its efforts in combatting poverty and malnutrition, as well as ensure the provision of quality education and health care service to its people, especially women and children; and
2. To continue to mobilise resources and galvanise international support to enhance its capacity to protect and promote human rights.

4. Finally, we wish Yemen a very successful review process.

I thank you Mr President.

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