



**56TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE
HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL (18TH
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**UPR OUTCOME NIGERIA: RESPONSE
FROM THE DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY.**

Mr. President:

The Daughters of Charity with coalition of partners affirm Nigeria on domesticating the Convention on the Rights of the Child, by adopting the Child Rights Act since 2003. However, millions of children are still found in the streets of Nigeria being used for cheap child labour, illicit drug distribution, commercial sex work and human trafficking. Nigeria's National Bureau of Statistics states that about 50 percent of children aged 5 to 17 are engaged in hazardous activities¹.

The current minimum wage does not correspond with the inflation rate with the masses complaining about hardship in Nigeria. At the same time executives and legislators live expensively and in denial of the current state of emergency that is pushing the masses into extreme poverty, hunger, inequality and violence.

We urge the Government to intensify measures to address the endemic system of corruption in the country and the strengthening of legal and institutional frameworks for the protection of all human rights. We welcome the UPR recommendations on disability, counter terrorism and discrimination against women and girls and urge Nigerian government to accept and ensure their full implementation.

We thank you Mr. President.