

NIGERIA: ACCOUNTABILITY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS REMAINS ELUSIVE

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SUMMARY

This submission was prepared for the fourth Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of Nigeria in January – February 2024. In it, Amnesty International evaluates the implementation of recommendations made to Nigeria in its previous UPR in 2018, including in relation to enforced disappearances, human rights violations by the security forces, torture and other ill-treatment, gender-based violence and gender equality, and the impact of the oil industry on human rights.

It also assesses the national human rights framework with regard to the Nigerian Constitution and the Terrorism (Prevention and Prohibition) Act, 2022, as well as the Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) (VAPP) Act, 2015.

With regard to the human rights situation on the ground, Amnesty International raises concerns about freedom of expression and peaceful assembly, unlawful killings, armed conflict, violence against women, forced evictions, oil pollution in the Niger Delta, LGBTI people's rights, and the death penalty. It ends with a set of recommendations to Nigeria which, if implemented, would contribute to improving the human rights situation.

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FOLLOW UP TO THE PREVIOUS REVIEW

1. Nigeria supported 240 of 290 recommendations made during its previous UPR in 2018. The government noted 50 recommendations, including all recommendations to ratify international treaties, all recommendations on decriminalizing same-sex sexual relations and 19 of the 20 recommendations aimed at ending recourse to the death penalty.¹
2. In line with a supported recommendation, on 14 August 2021, the Nigerian Correctional Service Bill was signed into law to address fundamental lapses in the Prisons Act, 1972.²
3. Despite supporting three recommendations to end enforced disappearances, including to develop a database of missing persons in Nigeria, and to allow independent human rights investigators full access to investigate allegations of enforced disappearances,³ enforced disappearances are still prevalent in the country. Several people have been subjected to enforced disappearance between 2019 and 2022.⁴ The government has not yet established an official database of missing persons, and there is still no justice for victims of enforced disappearance and their families.
4. Nigeria supported over 20 recommendations to ensure respect for human rights in counterterrorism operations, including to protect the lives of civilians and to avoid extrajudicial killings and to investigate violations by security forces.⁵ Regrettably, since 2019, security forces have consistently violated human rights in the context of military operations conducted against Boko Haram in the north-east, and the violence in southeast Nigeria.⁶ The reports of the army-led Special Board of Inquiry and the Presidential Investigative Panel set up in 2017 to review compliance by the armed forces with human rights are yet to be made public, despite Nigeria's commitment in the previous review to do so.⁷
5. Nigeria is yet to implement the supported recommendation to amend the Police Force Order 237, which provides for much wider scope for the use of lethal force than is permissible under international law and standards.⁸
6. Nigeria supported eight recommendations aimed at preventing torture and other ill-treatment including to establish a national torture preventive mechanism for independent monitoring in all detention facilities and to create a central database of all places of detention.⁹ However, none of the accepted recommendations have been implemented. Despite criminalization of torture under the Anti-Torture Act (2017), torture and other ill-treatment has remained pervasive in Nigeria.¹⁰
7. In 2020, Amnesty International documented over 82 cases of torture by the Special Ant-Robbery Squad (SARS) unit of the Nigeria police, which was notorious for unlawful arrests, torture and other ill-treatment, and unlawful killings.¹¹ In October 2020, the Nigerian authorities disbanded SARS. However, all the officers in the SARS squad were redeployed and none of them has been prosecuted.
8. Nigeria supported over nine recommendations in relation to gender-based violence and gender equality, including to enact the Gender and Equal Opportunities (GEO) Bill, and to implement the Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) (VAPP) Act, 2015 in all the states.¹² The GEO bill is yet to be passed into law. Thirty-four states have domesticated the Act. Kano and Katsina states are yet to do so. In March 2022, the National Assembly voted against five bills which sought to promote gender equality in Nigeria.¹³ After protests by women's groups, the National Assembly rescinded its decision on three of the bills.¹⁴

THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS FRAMEWORK

9. Chapter 4 of the 1999 Constitution of Nigeria¹⁵ provides that fundamental rights include only civil and political rights, which are enforceable in the courts. Economic, social and cultural rights, as provided for in Chapter 2 as Fundamental Objectives and Directive Principles of State Policy, are not enforceable in the courts.

10. Nigeria is a party to several international human rights treaties, but only some have been domesticated into domestic law.¹⁶
11. The Terrorism (Prevention and Prohibition) Act, 2022 repealed the Terrorism (Prevention) Act, 2011 (as amended).¹⁷ However, the Act contains provisions which violate Nigeria’s Constitution and international human rights obligations. Section 35 of the Constitution requires suspects to be brought before a court within 48 hours, whereas the Act provides for extended detention of individuals suspected of involvement in terrorism.¹⁸ The Act also grants the military arbitrary powers to arrest and detain people, including persons “found on any premises or place or in any conveyance” by the “relevant law enforcement or security officer until the completion of the search or investigation under the provisions of this Act.”¹⁹
12. The Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) (VAPP) Act criminalizes several acts which are harmful and discriminatory towards women and broadens the narrow definition of rape as contained in the Criminal and Penal Codes.
13. The Same Sex Marriage (Prohibition) Act 2013 remains in force and provides for a ten-year prison sentence for anyone who supports, meets with, or forms a group advocating for the human rights for LGBTI people. It criminalizes freedom of speech, association, and assembly and the activities of LGBTI organizations.²⁰

THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION ON THE GROUND

Freedom of expression and peaceful assembly

14. Journalists and digital activists continue to face harassment, threats, and attacks from state authorities for peacefully expressing critical opinions. During the 2023 general elections, 42 journalists suffered attacks and harassment, including being beaten and denied access to information, while covering the elections.²¹
15. In March 2023, the National Broadcasting Commission (NBC) sanctioned 25 broadcast stations over the coverage of the 2023 elections.²² On 10 May 2023, a Federal High Court in Abuja declared the ban unlawful.²³
16. On 27 July 2022, the Non-Governmental Organization Regulations Bill, which seeks to gag civil society organizations, was reintroduced in the House of Representatives.²⁴
17. Individuals who freely express their opinions continue to face repression. On 5 April 2022 in Kano, Mubarak Bala, president of the Humanist Association of Nigeria, was sentenced to 24 years’ imprisonment over Facebook posts which allegedly insulted Prophet Muhammad.²⁵
18. On 4 June 2021, the Nigerian authorities announced a ban on Twitter in Nigeria.²⁶ The ban was lifted after seven months on 13 January 2022. On 14 July 2022, the ECOWAS Court declared the ban unlawful.²⁷
19. On 20 October 2020, the Nigerian army and police killed at least 12 peaceful protesters at Lekki toll gate and Alausa, Lagos, where thousands were protesting police brutality as part of the #EndSARS movement.²⁸ More than 40 #EndSARS protesters arrested in October 2020 remain in prison detention.²⁹

Forced evictions

20. Forced evictions have continued unabated in Nigeria since the last review, without adequate notice or consultation. In October 2021, Kaduna state authorities demolished over 500 structures in Graceland community, Zaria. In February 2022, Rivers state authorities forcibly evicted 60,000 residents of waterfront communities from their homes in Diobu, Port Harcourt.³⁰ In the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Durumi 3, Iddo Sarki, NEPA Junction Gudu, Mpape, Katampe and Lugbe, communities have been subjected to forced evictions.³¹

Violence against women and girls

21. Despite the FCT and 35 states having domesticated the VAPP Act,³² violence against women and girls remains pervasive.³³ Since the last review, there has been an upsurge in reports of rape across Nigeria. The Nigeria police recorded 717 incidents of rape between January and May 2020.³⁴ In its 2020 annual report, the National Human Rights Commission noted having received 11,200 reported cases of rape.³⁵

Armed conflict

22. Nigeria has failed in its responsibility to protect people from various abuses committed by Boko Haram and Islamic States West African Province (ISWAP) as well as unknown gunmen³⁶; who killed at least 6,907 people, abducted 6,157, and forcibly transferred or internally displaced at least 2,000 in 2022.³⁷ The authorities are yet to rescue many women and children in captivity, while many schools remain closed.³⁸ The rampage and killings in Southern Kaduna have continued to escalate.³⁹
23. The Nigerian military counter-insurgency operations in Northeast Nigeria led to gross human rights violations and crimes under international law including extrajudicial executions, enforced disappearances, arbitrary arrests, and incommunicado detention.⁴⁰ Since July 2019, the Nigerian air force has carried out at least 17 fatal airstrikes on civilian settlements.⁴¹ Also, since 2021, security forces have committed several human rights violations in their response to spiraling violence in southeast Nigeria.⁴²

Communal violence

24. Violent clashes between members of farmer communities and members of herder communities in parts of Nigeria over access to water, land, and pasture have remained unaddressed.⁴³ On 7 April 2023, at least 43 persons were killed by armed invaders at the LGEA Primary School IDP camp, Benue state.⁴⁴ On 12 May 2023, armed gunmen killed at least seven people and burned at least 50 houses in Takalafiya Mada, Nasarawa state. In Benue state, herder–farmer conflicts remain common, leading to the killing of thousands of people.⁴⁵

Rights of LGBTI people

25. Human rights violations continue to be committed against people suspected of engaging in same-sex relations or for having a non-conventional gender identity, including arrest, public shaming, extortion, and discrimination.
26. In December 2018, 47 men faced criminal charges in Lagos for their expression of affection in public with members of the same sex. In October, a court in Lagos dismissed the case against them.⁴⁶ In June 2022, three gay men; Abdullahi Beti, Kamilu Ya'u, and Mallam Haruna were detained under the Same Sex Marriage (Prohibition) Act 2013. A Sharia Court in Ningi, Bauchi state sentenced them to death.⁴⁷

The impact of the oil industry on human rights

27. Despite supporting recommendation to take effective measures to assist the communities suffering from environmental damage across the Niger Delta due to oil spills,⁴⁸ the Niger Delta region continues to suffer from an epidemic of oil spills which have devastating impacts on the human rights and livelihoods of the communities.⁴⁹ In 2021, Shell announced its plans to sell its onshore oilfields and assets in the Niger Delta after 60 years of highly profitable operations in the area. Shell has not explained how it plans to address the widespread and systemic pollution of Nigerian communities linked to its operations.⁵⁰

Enforced disappearances, unlawful killings, and unlawful detention

28. Several men were forcibly disappeared by the authorities in response to the activities of the Indigenous People of Biafra in southeast Nigeria. Sunday Nwafor, Uzonwanne Ejiofor and Wilfred Dike, who had been secretly detained by the military without charge since 27 February 2020, were released on 14 September 2022 without trial.⁵¹ Government critic Abubakar Idris remained missing since his abduction by suspected state agents in 2019.⁵²

29. Security forces have used excessive force to disperse peaceful protests and assemblies. On 17 October 2022, a coroners' court found that police had shot dead Jumoke Oyeleke during a Yoruba Nation rally in Ojota, Lagos state.⁵³ On 17 July 2022, seven persons were extrajudicially executed by members of Ebubeagu, a state-sponsored security outfit, at Awo-Omamma, Imo state.⁵⁴
30. Nigerian prisons remain congested, with about 69% of inmates awaiting trial - some for over five years.⁵⁵ On 2 December 2021, five awaiting trial inmates were killed, and seven others injured after being electrocuted at the Ikoyi Correctional Centre Lagos.⁵⁶

Death penalty

31. Although no judicial executions are known to have been carried out since 23 December 2016, authorities in Nigeria are resorting to imposing the death penalty as a quick fix to insecurity and violent crime. Twenty-six states have laws prescribing the death penalty for kidnapping and other crimes. As of 8 May 2023, 3,322 people were known to be under sentence of death.⁵⁷ In August 2022, the Court of Appeal ordered the retrial of musician Aminu Yahaya-Sharif, who was sentenced to death for blasphemy in 2020.⁵⁸

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION BY THE STATE UNDER REVIEW

Amnesty International calls on the government of Nigeria to:

The national human rights framework

32. Amend the Constitution to guarantee economic, social and cultural rights as human rights and to make them enforceable in court.
33. Bring the Terrorism Prevention Act into line with international law, including by providing that an individual may only be arrested on reasonable suspicion of having committed a criminal offence.
34. Amend Section 33(2) of the Constitution and Police Force Order 237 to ensure that these only allow the use of lethal force to protect life as permitted by international human rights law.
35. Speedily enact the Gender and Equal Opportunities Bill.
36. Ensure the Violence Against Persons Prohibition Act is swiftly domesticated in the two remaining states and ensure its effective implementation across Nigeria.
37. Ensure the Child Rights Act is immediately domesticated in the two remaining states and ensure its effective implementation across Nigeria and take steps to prevent attacks on schools by providing perimeter fencing and adequate security in all school premises.

Freedom of expression and peaceful assembly

38. Withdraw the Non-Governmental Organizations Regulatory Commission of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill.
39. Release all those detained for peacefully expressing their opinions and ensure access of victims and their families to effective remedies, including adequate compensation, restitution, and guarantee of non-repetition.
40. End all forms of harassment and intimidation of journalists and human right defenders, and the use of fear to deter people from using social media platforms to express their opinions.
41. Ensure that all law enforcement agencies revise their policies and practices for the policing of protests, responsibly with international human rights standards, and effectively investigate all allegations of human rights

violations by police officials during protests, bring all those found responsible to account, and provide redress to victims.

Forced Evictions

- 42. Establish a moratorium on mass evictions until adequate legal and procedural safeguards are in place to ensure that all evictions comply with international human rights standards, including the UN Basic Principles and Guidelines on Development-Based Evictions and Displacement.
- 43. Provide effective remedies, including adequate alternative housing and compensation for any loss or damage to property for persons who have been victims of forced eviction.

Armed conflict

- 44. Implement safeguards against human rights violations by the security forces, including arbitrary arrest, incommunicado and arbitrary detentions, rape and other forms of torture and other ill-treatment, enforced disappearance, and extrajudicial executions and other unlawful killings, and air strikes on civilians.
- 45. Initiate independent and effective investigations into all allegations of war crimes and possible crimes against humanity committed by the Nigerian military, Boko Haram, bandits and unknown gunmen with the aim of bringing suspects to justice in fair trials.

Communal violence

- 46. Protect ordinary people against attacks by rival communities, including by taking all necessary legal measures to guarantee their safety and security and protect their life and property.
- 47. Initiate an independent, impartial, and effective investigation into the conflicts between farmers and herders with the aim of bringing suspects to justice in fair trials and providing a remedy to the victims.

Rights of LGBTI people

- 48. Repeal the Same Sex Marriage (Prohibition) Act, 2013 and any other law that discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

The impact of the oil industry on human rights

- 49. Ensure effective clean-up of the oil pollution and adequate compensation for those whose livelihoods have been devastated and whose health has been harmed.

Enforced disappearance, extrajudicial executions and unlawful detention.

- 50. Ensure that enforced disappearance constitutes a criminal offence in line with Nigeria’s obligations under the Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.
- 51. Ensure that all detainees suspected of a crime are brought before a court of law within 24 or 48 hours where so required by the Constitution, and in all cases within no more than a few days as required under Article 9(3) of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, as interpreted by the Human Rights Committee.

The death penalty

- 52. Abolish the death penalty for all crimes, and in the meantime:
- 53. Establish a moratorium on all executions with a view to abolishing the death penalty for all crimes.

54. Commute all death sentences to terms of imprisonment.
55. Repeal all provisions that provide for mandatory death sentences, which are inconsistent with international human rights law.
56. Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and amend section 33(1) of the Constitution to prohibit the death penalty.

ANNEX 1

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ANNEX 2

MATRIX OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS CYCLE, WITH COMMENTS ON PROGRESS

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
<i>Theme: A12 Acceptance of international norms</i>			
148.103 Ensure all operations by the military and security forces comply with international law and Nigeria's human rights obligations (Australia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 23, 28 of the submission.
<i>Theme: A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</i>			
148.191 Refrain from adopting legislative or policy steps that would restrict civil society space (Estonia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General A61 Cooperation with civil society S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - human rights defenders	Not implemented See Paragraph 17 of the submission.
148.44 Ensure the adoption and implementation of the 2015 Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act in all of Nigeria's 36 states (Denmark); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21 of the submission.
148.47 Step up efforts to ensure that the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act is adopted by and is applicable in all its states (Philippines); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21 of the submission.
148.48 Strengthen its national human rights framework by ensuring that the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act is applicable in all states (Republic of Korea); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21 of the submission.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
<p>148.46 Guarantee the application of the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act throughout its territory and approve the Gender and Equal Opportunities Bill (Spain);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>D28 Gender-based violence</p> <p>D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation</p> <p>B31 Equality & non-discrimination</p> <p>S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment</p> <p>S10 SDG 10 - inequality</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - women - girls 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraphs 8, 21 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.30 Prioritize the full and effective implementation and reinforcement of international human rights instruments, such as the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women by using domestic mechanisms, including the Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) Act (Netherlands);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F12 Discrimination against women</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - women 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraphs 8, 21 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.43 Strengthen the implementation of legislation and policies aimed at ending harmful traditional practices, in particular through the adoption of the enforcement procedure of Nigeria's Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act (Rwanda);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F13 Violence against women</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - women - children - girls 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraphs 8, 21 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.38 Ensure that the law on the rights of the child and the law prohibiting violence against persons are adopted and enforced in all states (Côte d'Ivoire);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>F32 Children: family environment and alternative care</p> <p>F33 Children: protection against exploitation</p> <p>D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - children 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraphs 8, 21, 22 of the submission.</p>

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
<p>148.42 Ensure that all the states in Nigeria adopt and implement the Child Rights Act, the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act and the international human rights instruments the federal Government of Nigeria has ratified (Cyprus);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>F32 Children: family environment and alternative care</p> <p>F33 Children: protection against exploitation</p> <p>D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - children 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraphs 8, 21, 22 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.40 Provide for the overall applicability of the Child Rights Act 2003 by ensuring that the remaining 12 states adopt the law without delay (Slovenia);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>F32 Children: family environment and alternative care</p> <p>F33 Children: protection against exploitation</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - children 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraph 22 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.41 Adopt and effectively enforce the Child Rights Act in the whole country (Slovakia);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>F32 Children: family environment and alternative care</p> <p>F33 Children: protection against exploitation</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - children 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraph 22 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.54 Adopt the necessary legislative and political measures so that the 12 northern states adopt the law on the rights of children that puts into practice the prohibition of early and forced marriages (Honduras);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>F32 Children: family environment and alternative care</p> <p>F33 Children: protection against exploitation</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - children 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraph 22 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.53 Strengthen the Child Rights Act 2003 and expand it to all 36 states (Germany);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</p> <p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - children 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraph 22 of the submission.</p>

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148.271 Ensure that the law on the rights of the child is adopted and applied in the states that have not yet done so (Belgium); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - children	Partially implemented. See Paragraph 22 of the submission.
148.52 Strengthen the rights of women and girls, notably by enforcing across all the territory the 2015 law banning all forms of violence against them (France); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - women - girls	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21, 22 of the submission.
148.37 Adopt the Gender and Equal Opportunities Bill and ensure its effective implementation at all levels of government (Republic of Moldova); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions S10 SDG 10 - inequality Affected persons: - general - women - girls	Not implemented See Paragraph 8 of the submission.
148.20 Sustain efforts in strengthening its legal and institutional frameworks for the promotion and protection of human rights (Cameroon); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 of the submission.
148.21 Continue its efforts in strengthening the legal and institutional framework of human rights (Syrian Arab Republic); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 9,10,11,12, 13 of the submission.
148.22 Continue to strengthen steps in the protection and promotion of human rights (Senegal); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 9,10,11,12, 13 of the submission.
148.23 Sustain its determined efforts in strengthening its legal and institutional frameworks to ensure the full enjoyment of human rights by its people (Pakistan); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 of the submission.

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148.27 Accelerate the process to incorporate the provisions of the international human rights instruments to which it is party into national legislation (Zimbabwe); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 13 of the submission.
148.28 Continue efforts to implement all instruments ratified by Nigeria (Jordan); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 13 of the submission.
148.29 Align national legislation and customs in line with Nigeria's international obligations (Sudan); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.39 Adopt and enforce the Child Rights Act in all states (Portugal); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - children	Partially implemented. See 22 of the submission.
148.68 Promote the enactment of the Gender and Equal Opportunities Bill (Mexico); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination F12 Discrimination against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general - women - girls - migrants - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - Indigenous peoples - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - persons with disabilities - internally displaced persons - vulnerable persons/groups - persons living with HIV/AIDS - non-citizens - stateless persons - older persons	Not implemented See Paragraph 8 of the submission.
148.49 Adopt the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act at the state assembly level (Japan); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21, 22 of the submission

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148.149 Continue to enact legislation to protect persons from violent crimes, especially children, women and the elderly (Bahrain); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D31 Liberty and security - general F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F1 Women Affected persons: - women - children - girls - older persons	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21, 22 of the submission.
148.34 Undertake measures to make economic, social and cultural rights enforceable and create enabling legislation aimed at addressing poverty (South Africa); Source of position: A/HRC/40/2 - Para. 450	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation B51 Right to an effective remedy S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraph 9 of the submission.
148.36 Ensure that the Gender and Equal Opportunities Bill is passed into law and ensure equal and full access to education for all children, especially girls (Estonia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework E51 Right to education - General S04 SDG 4 - education S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment Affected persons: - general - women - children - girls	Not implemented See Paragraph 8 of the submission.
148.51 Expand nationwide the territorial scope of the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act 2015 by amending article 47 in order to provide equal protection from violence to all Nigerians (Finland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - women - girls	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8 of the submission.
Theme: A42 Institutions & policies - General			
148.66 Ensure the respect, protection and fulfilment of human rights for all persons, without distinction of any kind (Sweden); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A42 Institutions & policies - General D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation B31 Equality & non-discrimination S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission
148.55 Enhance efforts to promote and protect the human rights of vulnerable persons in its population (Uganda); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	A42 Institutions & policies - General D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - vulnerable persons/groups	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission

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<p>148.50 Ensure that the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act and the 2017–2021 National Strategy to End Child Marriage are fully implemented in all states (Namibia);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>A42 Institutions & policies - General</p> <p>D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - women - children - girls 	<p>Partially implemented.</p> <p>See Paragraphs 8 of the submission</p>
Theme: B11 International humanitarian law			
<p>148.172 Investigate and punish those responsible for violations of human rights and international humanitarian law, for example attacks against schools, hospitals and protected persons, humanitarian actors and their organizations, and those who committed abductions of children, civilians and humanitarian actors (Argentina);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>B11 International humanitarian law</p> <p>E51 Right to education - General</p> <p>F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection</p> <p>B51 Right to an effective remedy</p> <p>B52 Impunity</p> <p>D51 Administration of justice & fair trial</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - children 	<p>Not implemented</p> <p>See Paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 7, 22, 23 24 of the submission.</p>
Theme: B51 Right to an effective remedy			
<p>148.180 Regarding recurring intercommunal violence, undertake effective and impartial investigations into massacres, bringing those responsible to justice and ensuring redress for victims (New Zealand);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>B51 Right to an effective remedy</p> <p>B2 Right to self-determination</p> <p>D51 Administration of justice & fair trial</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - Indigenous peoples 	<p>Not implemented</p> <p>See Paragraph of the submission.</p>
<p>148.168 Intensify efforts to eradicate impunity by strengthening accountability and the rule of law, particularly through monitoring, investigating and reporting on human rights abuses, and to ensure that all alleged perpetrators, in particular those affiliated with the official security forces, are brought to justice (Netherlands);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>B51 Right to an effective remedy</p> <p>B52 Impunity</p> <p>D51 Administration of justice & fair trial</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mercenaries - law enforcement / police officials - private security - military staff 	<p>Not implemented</p> <p>See Paragraphs 3, 4, 6, 7, 23 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.176 Commit to releasing the findings from the Presidential Investigative Panel and the army-led Special Board of Inquiry and to holding perpetrators to account (Australia);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>B51 Right to an effective remedy</p> <p>B52 Impunity</p> <p>D51 Administration of justice & fair trial</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mercenaries - law enforcement / police officials - military staff 	<p>Not implemented</p> <p>See Paragraph 4 of the submission.</p>
<p>148.177 Make public the findings of the Presidential Investigative Panel, which investigated allegations of human rights violations by the military, to facilitate open analysis and scrutiny (United States of America);</p> <p>Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1</p>	Supported	<p>B51 Right to an effective remedy</p> <p>B52 Impunity</p> <p>D51 Administration of justice & fair trial</p> <p>S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions</p> <p>Affected persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mercenaries - law enforcement / police officials - military staff 	<p>Not implemented</p> <p>See Paragraph 4 of the submission.</p>

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148.178 Publish the reports about abuses committed by security forces and implement the recommendations, including the prosecution of those responsible for violence against civilians (Germany); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy B52 Impunity D51 Administration of justice & fair trial S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - mercenaries - law enforcement / police officials - private security - military staff	Not implemented See Paragraph 4 of the submission.
148.179 Make progress on investigating the military's compliance with human rights obligations (New Zealand); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy B52 Impunity D51 Administration of justice & fair trial S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - mercenaries - law enforcement / police officials - military staff	Not implemented See Paragraph 4 of the submission.
148.165 Conduct prompt, thorough and independent investigations into allegations of violations of human rights and international humanitarian law committed by some government forces during counter-insurgency operations, and bring perpetrators to justice (Slovakia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy B52 Impunity S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - military staff	Not implemented See Paragraph 4 of the submission.
148.170 Ensure that the perpetrators of violence and crimes against children as well as adults are brought to justice (Holy See); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy D51 Administration of justice & fair trial S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general - children	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 8, 21, 22 of the submission
Theme: B52 Impunity			
148.108 Strengthen the fight against impunity, notably guaranteeing respect for rights in the fight against terrorism and law enforcement (France); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B52 Impunity B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 23 of the submission.
148.164 Adopt measures to fight against impunity with an increased focus on Boko Haram's crimes (Portugal); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B52 Impunity S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - mercenaries	Not implemented See Paragraph 22 of the submission.
Theme: B6 Business & Human Rights			
148.95 Accelerate the regulatory process aimed at reducing the negative impact of company activities on the enjoyment of human rights (Algeria); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B6 Business & Human Rights S13 SDG 13 - climate change Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraph 27 of the submission.
Theme: B72 Human rights & toxic wastes			

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148.94 Take effective measures to assist the communities suffering from environmental damage across the Niger Delta due to oil spills by providing health care and education facilities and fostering the means for the creation of alternative livelihood options (Republic of Korea); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B72 Human rights & toxic wastes B71 Human rights and the environment E41 Right to health - General E51 Right to education - General Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraph 27 of the submission.
148.93 Take effective measures to support communities that have suffered from oil spills that have caused damage to the environment (Congo); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B72 Human rights & toxic wastes B71 Human rights and the environment S13 SDG 13 - climate change Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraph 27 of the submission.
Theme: B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism			
148.105 Raise awareness of human rights, especially within the government forces involved in counter-insurgency operations, to avoid excessive use of force, extrajudicial killings and ill-treatment (Cyprus); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism A54 Awareness raising and dissemination D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 23 of the submission.
148.107 Sustain ongoing efforts in ensuring respect for human rights in counter-terrorism operations (Lebanon); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 4, 23 of the submission.
148.102 Take all necessary measures to protect the lives of civilians, while fighting insurgency (Afghanistan); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism D31 Liberty and security - general S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 23 of the submission.
148.121 Take appropriate action to guarantee respect for human rights in the fight against terrorism, insurgency and other internal security operations, and to ensure that all perpetrators of violations are brought to justice (Bulgaria); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism D51 Administration of justice & fair trial S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 23 of the submission.
148.123 Reinforce victim protection services, taking into account the vulnerability of children and women facing terrorist groups' actions (Portugal); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F1 Women S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - women - children - girls	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 22, 23 of the submission.
148.104 Mainstream human rights standards in counter-terrorism actions undertaken by security forces (Portugal); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 22, 23 of the submission.
Theme: D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation			

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148.146 Implement safeguards against human rights violations by the security forces and ensure that the perpetrators of violence, both State and non-State actors, are brought to justice (Ireland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation A42 Institutions & policies - General B51 Right to an effective remedy D51 Administration of justice & fair trial S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - mercenaries - law enforcement / police officials - private security - military staff	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 22, 23 of the submission.
148.145 Provide and implement measures to protect against violations of human rights committed by security forces in order to better protect the population (Belgium); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - law enforcement / police officials - private security - military staff	Not implemented See Paragraphs 4, 23 of the submission.
Theme: D23 Death penalty			
148.137 Establish a moratorium on the use of the death penalty and step up national discussions on the question of its abolition (Mexico); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraph 31 of the submission.
Theme: D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment			
148.25 Modify the Constitution and Force Order 237 regarding the Police, and ensure that the Anti-Torture Act is applied at the national level (Spain); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 6, 7 of the submission.
148.153 Create conditions conducive to preventing torture, including by creating a central database or register of all places of detention (Hungary); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D26 Conditions of detention S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general - persons deprived of their liberty - law enforcement / police officials - prison officials	Not implemented See Paragraphs 6, 7 of the submission.
148.154 Modify the law against torture to provide rehabilitation for victims (Chile); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 6, 7 of the submission.
Theme: D26 Conditions of detention			
148.157 Speed up the implementation of the Nigerian Prisons and Correctional Service Bill (Georgia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D26 Conditions of detention S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - persons deprived of their liberty	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 2, 30 of the submission.

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148.158 Implement the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules) to improve conditions of detention and to end the ill-treatment of detainees (Switzerland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D26 Conditions of detention S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - persons deprived of their liberty	Not implemented See Paragraph 30 of the submission.
Theme: D28 Gender-based violence			
148.209 Continue its efforts to combat trafficking in persons, female genital mutilation, early and forced marriages and sexual and gender-based violence (Gabon); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D28 Gender-based violence D27 Prohibition of slavery, trafficking F13 Violence against women D29 Domestic violence S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - women	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 12, 21 of the submission.
148.171 Implement safeguards to prevent the sexual exploitation and abuse of vulnerable persons and hold those responsible accountable (United States of America); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D28 Gender-based violence D51 Administration of justice & fair trial B51 Right to an effective remedy S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - vulnerable persons/groups	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 12, 21 of the submission.
Theme: D32 Enforced disappearances			
148.150 Ensure that enforced disappearance constitutes a crime in line with Nigeria's obligations under the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance and allow independent human rights investigators full access to investigate allegations of enforced disappearances and extrajudicial killings (Germany); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D32 Enforced disappearances A24 Cooperation with special procedures D22 Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general - disappeared persons	Not implemented See Paragraphs 3, 23, 28 of the submission.
148.151 Continue efforts aimed at developing a database of missing persons in Nigeria (Azerbaijan); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D32 Enforced disappearances A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - disappeared persons	Not implemented See Paragraph 3 of the submission.
148.152 Expand the interministerial technical working group to develop a database of missing persons in Nigeria to include all relevant agencies (Guyana); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D32 Enforced disappearances A42 Institutions & policies - General S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - disappeared persons	Not implemented See Paragraph 3 of the submission.
Theme: D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion			
148.183 Protect the rights to freedom of association, expression and peaceful assembly for all Nigerians, regardless of ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or gender identity (Australia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/2 - Para. 450	Supported	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - Indigenous peoples - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26 of the submission.
Theme: D43 Freedom of opinion and expression			

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148.184 Protect and promote freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly in order to create a safe and favourable environment for human rights defenders, journalists and civil society (Italy); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association H1 Human rights defenders S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - media - human rights defenders	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 of the submission.
Theme: D44 Right to peaceful assembly			
148.185 Ensure that the fundamental rights to freedom of association and peaceful assembly are respected and protected for all Nigerians without distinction of any kind and in accordance with the Constitution (Canada); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 of the submission.
Theme: G6 Internally displaced persons			
148.289 Take further measures to fulfil its obligations under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and Security Council resolution 1325 (2000) to protect women from sexual violence in internally displaced persons' camps and ensure that allegations of misconduct are investigated and brought to justice, and, in this context, establish an oversight mechanism for security forces that meets with international human rights standards (Sweden); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	G6 Internally displaced persons F11 Advancement of women F13 Violence against women Affected persons: - women - girls	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 21, 22, 24 of the submission.
148.288 Ensure the protection of women and children from all forms of abuse and exploitation in internally displaced persons' camps (Montenegro); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	G6 Internally displaced persons F31 Children: definition; general principles; protection F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment Affected persons: - internally displaced persons	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 21, 22, 24 of the submission.
Theme: H1 Human rights defenders			
148.190 Create and maintain a safe and enabling environment for human rights defenders, including those working on environmental issues (Norway); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Supported	H1 Human rights defenders S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - human rights defenders	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 of the submission.
Theme: A12 Acceptance of international norms			
148.7 Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and reform the Constitution in order to prohibit the death penalty and establish, until that time, an indefinite moratorium (Spain); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.

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148.14 Ratify the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute (Liechtenstein); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms B11 International humanitarian law B51 Right to an effective remedy S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented https://treaties.un.org/Pages/ViewDetails.aspx?src=IND&mtdsg_no=XVIII-10-b&chapter=18&clang=en
148.1 Ratify the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Benin); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.2 Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Estonia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.3 Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Liechtenstein); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.4 Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Montenegro); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.5 Ratify the Second Optional Protocol on the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Togo); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.6 Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Ukraine); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.

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148.8 Consider ratification of the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Georgia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.9 Adhere to the human rights instruments to which it is not yet a party, in particular the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty, the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, and the African Union Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (the Kampala Convention) (Honduras); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D21 Right to life D23 Death penalty G4 Migrants S08 SDG 8 - economic growth, employment, decent work S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general - migrants	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.10 Consider ratifying the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and its Optional Protocol and domesticating already ratified conventions (Niger); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 6, 7 of the submission.
Theme: A41 Constitutional and legislative framework			
148.74 Repeal legislation that discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity (Iceland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.75 Repeal all relevant legislation that discriminates against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex individuals and same-sex marriage (New Zealand); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.76 Abrogate the new discriminatory legislation on sexual orientation and gender identity, which criminalizes, inter alia, consensual sexual relations between people of the same sex (Belgium); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
148.78 Take the necessary measures to repeal from legislation the norm that runs counter to the human rights of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex community, and investigate and punish those who commit discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation (Argentina); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.80 Repeal the Same-Sex Marriage Prohibition Act 2013 and ensure that nobody is punished because of their sexual orientation and release all individuals held in detention because of homosexuality (Germany); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.77 Review the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act of 2015 in order to prohibit all types of violence without discrimination, including discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (Mexico); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D31 Liberty and security - general B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 12, 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.73 Amend and review all legislation and policies with a view to decriminalizing same-sex relations (Austria); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
Theme: A42 Institutions & policies - General			
148.79 Ensure full territorial coverage by the Violence against Persons (Prohibition) Act, especially article 37, in order to ensure that all, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender, will be able to find legal reparation for the violence they suffer (Chile); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	A42 Institutions & policies - General B31 Equality & non-discrimination D31 Liberty and security - general B51 Right to an effective remedy S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
Theme: B31 Equality & non-discrimination			
148.72 Adopt measures to combat violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, repealing the section of the Penal Code that criminalizes homosexuality with the death penalty, as previously recommended (Uruguay); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	B31 Equality & non-discrimination A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A42 Institutions & policies - General S10 SDG 10 - inequality Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
148.67 Adopt measures to combat all forms of discrimination, especially against women and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (Italy); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	B31 Equality & non-discrimination F12 Discrimination against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S10 SDG 10 - inequality Affected persons: - general - women - girls - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
148.71 Fight against discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity (France); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
Theme: D23 Death penalty			
148.129 Implement a moratorium on the death penalty and take steps to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Republic of Moldova); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D21 Right to life S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.128 Abolish the death penalty, adopt an immediate de facto moratorium and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Portugal); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.134 Formally establish a moratorium on executions and work towards the abolition of the death penalty, including through ratification of the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (New Zealand); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.126 Abolish the death penalty, especially for persons under 18 years of age, and progressively reduce the number of crimes punishable by capital punishment, as previously recommended (Uruguay); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.127 Take concrete measures to introduce a de jure moratorium on the death penalty with a view towards its total abolition (Rwanda); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
148.130 Introduce a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to abolishing it (Sweden); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.131 Work towards the abolition of the death penalty (Holy See); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.132 Consider abolishing the death penalty or introducing a moratorium on sentencing convicted persons to capital punishment (Hungary); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.133 Consider speeding up the process that will lead to the abolition of the death penalty (Mozambique); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.135 Establish a moratorium on executions, commute all death sentences to terms of imprisonment and abolish the death penalty for all crimes (Iceland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.136 Establish a moratorium on executions with a view to the complete abolition of the death penalty and commute all existing death sentences (Liechtenstein); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.138 Restore the moratorium on the use of death penalty with a view to abolishing it (Italy); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.139 Consider signing a moratorium on the death penalty (Greece); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.

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148.141 Renew the death penalty moratorium and as a next step, abolish capital punishment (Czechia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.142 Sign a moratorium on execution of death sentences (Denmark); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.143 Institute a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to its abolition (France); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.144 Ensure that the moratorium on the death penalty is upheld at the federal and state levels with a view to abolishing the death penalty (Austria); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life A41 Constitutional and legislative framework S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.124 Abolish the death penalty (Cabo Verde); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.125 Consider the abolition of the death penalty (Romania); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
148.140 Establish a formal moratorium on the death penalty as a step towards complete abolition of this practice (Australia); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D23 Death penalty D21 Right to life S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 31 of the submission.
Theme: D31 Liberty and security - general			
148.81 Release all individuals held in detention because of their real or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity (Iceland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D31 Liberty and security - general B31 Equality & non-discrimination S10 SDG 10 - inequality S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Partially implemented. See Paragraphs 13, 25, 26 of the submission.
Theme: D44 Right to peaceful assembly			

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
148.186 Ensure that the fundamental right to freedom of association and peaceful assembly is respected and protected for all Nigerians without distinction of any kind (Ireland); Source of position: A/HRC/40/7/Add.1	Noted	D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association S16 SDG 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions Affected persons: - general	Not implemented See Paragraphs 13, 19, 29 of the submission.

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¹⁴ Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999, available at <https://nigeriarights.gov.ng/files/constitution.pdf>

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