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Mr. Chairman,

My Delegation commends you for the efficient manner

you have been steering the affairs of this Meeting and we are grateful to the Secretary-General for his Report, which outlines United Nations Rule of Law developments and activities at the national and international levels over the past year.

2. Nigeria's delegation wishes to align itself with the statements delivered by the Representatives of the Gambia and the Islamic Republic of Iran on behalf of the African Group and Non-Aligned Movement respectively. Every

4. Adherence to the rule of law is necessary, especially in the international system, to regulate the behaviours of States and hold them in accord with higher ideals and standards for the attainment of peace and development as

embodied in the UN Charter. There is always a connecting link between the rule of law and other issues on the agenda

6. As respect for and observance of the rule of law are enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, there are

numerous international and sub-regional instruments in

women empowerment as well as elimination of discriminatory practices that are harmful to women. There has, for instance, been tremendous progress towards parity in primary school education in Nigeria. The constitution of

grounds, including gender.

Mr. Chairman,

10. We have also demonstrated strong political will to fulfill our international obligations through the ratification of relevant international instruments and

In addition, the work of the various anti-corruption agencies such as the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC), the Independent Corrupt Practices and Related Offences Commission (ICPC), the Nigeria Police Force, (NPF) and the Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal, are meant to ensure that 'due process' is always

observed. This is in recognition of the importance of the rule of law in the society.

12 At the international level, Nigeria has consistently

pursued a foreign policy anchored on the promotion and achievement of global security, as well as the protection of the dignity of all persons. Nigeria recognizes the important role of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and other

there will be no platform upon which the rule of law would stand at the international level. Therefore, member states should collectively work to attain a world where the rule of law, accountability and social justice are the foundation for