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Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Palais Wilson
52, rue des Pâquis
CH-1201, Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Sirs,

Universal Periodic Review of Nigeria: A Nigeria Civil Society Coalition Report

I am pleased to submit the attached report on the state of human rights in Nigeria. The report was prepared by a coalition of civil society organizations in Nigeria organized for the purpose of engagement with the Universal Periodic Review Mechanism.

This report focuses on key themes such as prisons/prisoners’ rights, the Niger Delta Question, safety and security, electoral justice, women and children’s rights, torture and extrajudicial killings as well as access to justice. It is a call to ensure and enhance the enjoyment of the fundamental rights and freedoms by all Nigerians.

We thank you for this opportunity for civil society participation in Nigeria’s pending review.

Yours Sincerely

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