**PROPOSALS BY NIGERIA ON ARTICLE 16**

**Art 16 on Equality between men and women**

Align the Art 16 with CEDAW.

**Para 1** be revisedas follows:

“States Parties, in accordance with their obligations under international law, shall ensure ~~full~~ equality ~~for all women and men~~ **between men and women**, and shall adopt measures, including through temporary special measures as and when appropriate, to end all forms of discrimination against ~~all~~ women and girls ~~everywhere~~ so as to ensure their full and equal enjoyment of the right to development.”

**Para 2(c)** delete **all** before women

**Para 2 (d)** align with Art 2 (a) CEDAW which reads:

“To embody the principle of the equality of men and women in their national constitutions or other appropriate legislation if not yet incorporated therein and to ensure, through law and other appropriate means, the practical realization of this principle”

Instead of mainstream “gender perspective” we have in the text, we propose that it should read mainstream **principle of equality of men and women** into the formulation, adoption and implementation of all national laws, policies and practices and international legal instruments, policies and practices.

 Para 2 (e) and (f) delete “everywhere"