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My delegation aligns itself with the Statements delivered by the distinguished representatives of the Uganda on behalf of African Group and the Distinguished representative of Iran for the Non -Aligned Movement, respectively.

We take note of the report and all the actions taken and welcome the continuous emphasis on Zero tolerance on crimes committed by UN officials and Experts on mission .

3. We also express appreciation to the UN Officials and Experts for their sacrifices and dedication to the essential, but the most difficult work of the United Nations around the world. However, we wish to reiterate that these group of personnel need to conduct themselves professionally when at field in distinguishing themselves in the discharge of their duties and shun any act of indecorous of international personnel. The ethics and code of conduct of their profession must always be observed in the field as they are not immune from being held accountable for their criminal activities.

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should not go scot-free. We strongly believe that national authorities of any erring personnel should be able to hold their nationals accountable for crimes committed.

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7. To maintain professionalism and ethical standards, United Nations Officials and Experts should undergo comprehensive pre-deployment training with emphasis on sexual exploitation and abuse as well as other misconduct in the field. This training should not be limited to military peacekeepers alone. Perpetrators of heinous crimes must be punished to serve as deterrence to others. UN officials and non-staff personnel should not, by their action or behaviour turn the UN into an ethically challenged institution.

8. Nigeria strongly believes in measures that would enhance discipline among United Nations staff on Mission. We have noted that regular training remains one of the best ways of regulating the activities of the UN staff on Missions. This is why all Nigerian peacekeepers are provided with aide memoire to re-emphasize good conducts during deployment. We encourage all member states to also adopt such practices.

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policy regarding criminal activities. Corruption

