

Nigeria aligns itself with the statement delivered by the Distinguished Representation of Uganda on behalf of the African Group. My delegation wishes to thank the Chair of the  $75^{th}$  Session,

commends the Chair for the comprehensive report

territory including those whose land has been submerged. We recognise the importance of human rights protections including the dignity of the affected person. However, we wish to clearly state that it is within the obligation of the state to protect the rights of the affected persons in the event of the loss of territory by sea level rise. In addition, we wish to reiterate that the sovereignty and

commission could be framed to help Governments have a better appreciation of the issues especially when timely responses are required.

8. We acknowledge the work of the Commission in assisting with the codification and the development of international law and recognize the ample opportunity which the International Law Commission provides for Nigeria and Africa to play very important roles in the formulation of International Laws and norms that reflect the African perspectives. We reiterate the need to continue to reflect the African customary law taking note of the diversity of the legal system of the region in the Commission's next session.

I thank You