

Nigeria

Preamble 1:

Para 2 and 3 to we will propose adding illiteracy to the social ills noted in these two paragraphs.

Para 3 amend to read "achieve gender equality towards the empowerment of women and girls"

Introduction:

Paragraph 3 line 2 remove gender equality as redundant after saying "to protect human rights". No need for grading and differentiation in human rights, otherwise we should add other sub-categories of rights such as those of migrants, persons with disabilities, elderly persons etc.

Our Vision:

Paragraph 8 line 2 to add religious before cultural diversity.

Our shared principles and commitments

Paragraph 11 to be clear that regional review conferences are not implied in the reference to "follow-up to these conferences".

Our world today:

Paragraph 16 not to use acronym in respect of ICT.

Paragraph 17 line 5 remove "and reproductive health" since we have made reference to maternal, new born and child health etc. What other possible reproductive health could there be another than these?

The new agenda:

Paragraph 20 retain "all internationally agreed or recognized human rights". Also delete "other status" at the end of the paragraph. We can however settle for just plain human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Paragraph 21 should read "realizing gender equality towards the empowerment of women and girls" which we feel makes for better sense and meaning. Also in line 7 it should read "gender equality to empower women at the global, regional and national levels".

Paragraph 26 we need clarity on what "youth dividend" stands for as this is a new concept to us.

Paragraph 27 several written reservations exist on related targets and goals in the SDGs as per 3.7 and 5.6. As such this paragraph is problematic and should be reviewed so that "We are committed to ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health care services including family planning, information and education" should be deleted.

Paragraph 36 to add inter-religious after inter-cultural in the first line. Also add religious diversity after cultural diversity in the second line.

Restore paragraph 45 of the previous text on policy space.

Paragraph 50 to read after "chapeau contextualizing the latter and its addendum with reservations" since this is to be part of the text in its entirety.

Under the Goals and Targets, we support the addition of slavery and human trafficking in goals 8.7.