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The United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues,

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Agenda Item 8 Discussions On Theme Tenth Anniversary Of The United Nations Declaration On The Rights Of Indigenous Peoples: Measure Taken To Implement The Declaration.

Speaker: Musa Usman Ndamba, 1st vice National President Madam, Chairperson of the 16th session Permanent, Your Excellency's member's diplomatic missions, The Representatives of UN system, Distinguish Personalities, Dear Leaders of Indigenous peoples,

Accept brotherly greeting from The Mbororo Indigenous Pastoralist community of Cameroon.

Mme. Chairlady, We congratulate you for your election as the chair-person for this Year Permanent Forum.

Permit me here to thanks the Cameroon government for been among the United Nations Members State that voted for the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on that historic UN

General Assembly, September 2007.

The Cameroon Constitutions in its Preamble state: "The State ensures the protection of minorities and preserves the rights of the Indigenous peoples in accordance with the law"

The Cameroon Government is also taking loadable efforts to implement the UN declarations, The Ministry of Social Affairs, is the focal point for Indigenous peoples and others minorities groups in Cameroon, The Government organize the celebration of the World Indigenous peoples every August 9th of the Years in collaboration with the Indigenous peoples and the UN system in Cameroon.

Accordance with article: 14 of the declaration, MBOSCUDA has given education the top priority especially by providing access to culturally appropriate standard of education for Indigenous children of Cameroon, through support of the Government some international NGOs like Plan Cameroon has provide scholarship for many Indigenous Children.

We therefore thanks Government of Cameroon for the achievements so far, encourage the Government to even do more by creating a national commission for the implementation of the UNDRIP in pursuance to article 38, 39, and Article 41of UNDRIP.

MBOSCUDA has ever since understood the best way for implementation of the UNDRIP is based on cooperation with Government and consultation with Indigenous elders and community leaders. This has permitted us to achieve much impressive result at level education and poverty reduction among Indigenous peoples.

Madam-Chair, we wish to make the following recommendation:

- We recommend the Cameroon Government to set National commission in consultation with Indigenous peoples for the implementation of the UN Declaration on rights of Indigenous peoples in accordance with article 38.
- 2. We further recommend on Specialized agencies of UN system in Cameroon and others Intergovernmental organizations to fully support the Cameroon Government and Indigenous peoples through the mobilization of technical and financial cooperation necessary for the realization of full implementation of the UN DRIP in accordance with article 41 of the UNDRIP.

Thank you for your kind attention.