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Madame President,

First of all, we would like to welcome the delegation of Indonesia to the UPR Working Group session and thank the distinguished for the introductory statement.

It should be noted that the national report of Indonesia for the second cycle of UPR has been formulated through the extensive and comprehensive process of consultations with all interested stakeholders, including the civil society.

We appreciate the sustained practice of the adoption of the human rights actions plans. We note enacting the latest one for the period of 2011-2014 which duly reflects the positive development of the situation of the promotion and protection of human rights in the country. We recommend Indonesia to continue its endeavours to further enhance the existing mechanisms to advance human rights in Indonesia.

As the follow-up to the question posed by this delegation during the first cycle, we welcome the detailed information on measures taken by the Indonesian Government in order to combat trafficking in persons, especially women and children. We note the adoption of various pieces of national legislation on the very matter, including the National Action Plan on Combating the Criminal Act of Trafficking in Persons and Child Sexual Exploitation, the establishment of a national task force on the prevention and countering trafficking, building relevant shelters for the victims in different provinces, as well as other governmental programs. We recommend Indonesia to continue its efforts with a view of prevention and elimination of trafficking in human beings.

Finally, as highlighted in the national report, we fully understand the challenges that Indonesia faces due to its vast and unique geographical location and demographic peculiarities as a multi-ethnic and multi-cultural society.

Thank you for your attention.