

Statement by the Indonesian Delegation  
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Mr. President,

My delegation would like to thank the delegation of Romania headed by ... for their presentation of their second cycle UPR report. We note the frank and informative progress as well as challenges in the promotion and protection of human rights in the country, particularly in their efforts to implement the accepted recommendations emanating from the first UPR report in 2009.

Mr. President,

Indonesia notes with appreciation various positive and multidimensional policies and programmes pertaining to the rights of the Roma people. Many government's programmes on the right of the child, targeting Roma children deserve our encouragement. With its close cooperation with EC and NGOs, central and local authorities carry out legal and civil registrations for Roma community – as a fundamental right for every citizen in the country. This has been reflected in the project such as "I am a citizen, I have rights."

Equally heartening is the Government policy in the area of education with special attention to some categories of students who encounter difficulties in exercising their right to quality education. These include children from remote rural areas, children coming from poor families and economically disadvantaged areas, Roma children, and children with special educational needs. Indonesia therefore **recommends that Romania continue this policy particularly targeting Roma children.**

As a country which encounters similar challenges, Indonesia notes policy and institutional measures by Romanian Government in combating corruption in the country. The growing number of cases and verdicts, including high-level corruption, is a valid evidence of the proper-functioning policy and mechanism in the country. My delegation, in this regard wishes to **recommend that the Government accelerate its efforts to combat corruption in the country including through the effective implementation of the new National Anticorruption Strategy 2012-2015.**

In conclusion, Mr. President, Indonesia wishes would like to offer its best wishes to the People and Government of Romania all the best in the ongoing and future efforts to better promote and protect human rights of its population.

I Thank you.