

Statement by the Indonesian Delegation  
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Mr. President,

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My delegation welcomes the delegations of Colombia led by H.E. ... to the second cycle UPR. We thank them for the informative updates on efforts to further promote and protect of human rights, including the implementation of the accepted recommendations emanating from the first UPR report.

Mr. President,

Indonesia welcomes the ratification of the CRPD and commends various measures taken by the Government of Colombia to ensure the enjoyment of human rights by persons with disabilities. My delegation is of the view that the drafting of the Action Plan for Disability 2012–2018; the establishment of the National Council on Disability and departmental, district, municipal and local committees on disability; as well as the introduction of the national online registration system to identify and classify persons with disabilities will enhance the Government's policy and programmes to advance the rights of persons with disabilities. Therefore, we encourage the Government of Colombia to continue efforts in this regard.

Mr. President,

Indonesia also commends measures made by Government of Colombia to combat trafficking in persons including the adoption of the Comprehensive National Strategy to Combat Trafficking in Persons and the drafting of the new National Strategy 2013–2018. However, we share the concern on the women and girls trafficked for commercial, sexual and labour exploitation and on the large number of child victims of sexual exploitation. In this regard, **we recommend that the Government of Colombia consider strengthening the comprehensive policy in the National Strategy to Combat Trafficking in Persons, including preventive measures.**

We appreciate measures to guarantee gender equality and to empower women, including the adoption of a national policy of gender equality for women. We take note of the challenges that hamper the effective promotion and protection of women's rights in Colombia and **recommend that the Government of Colombia consider developing and implementing a comprehensive plan of action to further the women's rights, including measures to combat violence against women.**

To conclude, Mr. President, my delegation wishes the People and Government of Colombia all the best on their efforts to better promote and protect human rights in the country.

I thank you.