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Statement by the Indonesian Delegation  
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Madam Vice President,

Indonesia thanks the delegation of Nicaragua, headed by H.E. Mrs. Ana Isabel Morales Mazun, Minister of Interior, for their UPR report for the second cycle.

Indonesia appreciates Nicaragua's firm commitment in human rights' promotion and protection in the country, in particular the significant progress in implementing the National Human Development Plan for 2013 – 2017. We note with appreciation of the facts of fall of poverty rate, a significant reduction of malnutrition and improved quality of health care.

We also commend the progress in raising the school retention rates to above 90 percent, particularly for primary education.

Nevertheless, we believe further progress still can be pursued. In this regard, we offer the following two recommendations to Nicaragua:

- 1. To continue efforts in providing comprehensive healthcare to all people in Nicaragua including through improving access and services in rural areas in order to close the gap between infant mortality rate in rural and urban areas.**
- 2. To continue efforts to strengthen its juvenile justice system, through, *inter alia*, considering the incorporation of restorative justice principle.**

Finally, we wish Nicaragua all the best in its efforts to address the remaining human rights challenges in the country.

I thank you Madam Vice President.