

Statement by the Indonesian Delegation  
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Mr. President,

Indonesia welcomes the delegation of Iraq led by H.E. Mr. Abdulkareem Abdulla Shallal Al-Janabi, and thanks them for presenting the report.

Indonesia appreciates the formulation and implementation of various policies, including National Action Plan of Human Rights as well as human rights education and trainings to state officials, to further promote and protect human rights in Iraq. We further welcome that these policies are the results of bottom-up and inclusive process. We encourage Iraq to strengthen these efforts.

We also note with appreciation the increased number of women holding public positions, the growth of school enrolment for children and the drop of number of children under five who are underweight.

We further note the efforts to apply special legal measures to juvenile from the detention stage until confinement and enforcement of the sentence. In this regard, we would like to **recommend Iraq to continue this effort, including by considering incorporating restorative justice principles in juvenile justice system.**

Mr. President,

Beside regulatory framework, institutional framework is also needed. In this regard, we note with appreciation the establishment of various mechanisms in the judicial as well as governmental level to promote and protect as well as monitor human rights. **We recommend Iraq to continue to strengthen these institutions, including strengthening the High Commission for Human Rights in line with the Paris Principles.**

Lastly, we wish the people and government of Iraq all the best in its efforts to address the remaining human rights challenges in the country.

I thank you Mr. President.