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Mr. Vice President.

My delegation would like to welcome the delegation of Guinea led by H.E. Mr. Khalifa Gassama Diaby, Minister of Human Rights and Civil Liberties of Guinea.

We commend the Government of Guinea for submitting this comprehensive report regardless the fact that they are still in the middle of combating the Ebola outbreak. Let me also reaffirm Indonesia's support and solidarity to the Government of Guinea and its people in addressing the Ebola crises.

Mr. President,

We welcome various developments connected to the development of the normative and institutional framework for human rights promotion and protection. We also welcome the decision of the Government of Guinea to establish a department responsible for the promotion and protection of human rights. In this regard, we recommend the Government of Guinea to continue its efforts in the promotion and protection of human rights by establishing a national human rights institution based on the Paris Principle.

With regard to the report to the treaty bodies, and as stated in the report, we note that the Government of Guinea has taken various measures in order to eliminate the backlog in the submission of initial and periodic reports to treaty bodies, in particular by establishing the Inter-ministerial Standing Committee on the drafting of initial and periodic reports. The establishment of this Standing Committee has resulted in the submission of various reports, including the initial reports on the implementation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Degrading Treatment or Punishment. In this regard, we recommend the Government of Guinea to continue utilizing this Inter-ministerial Standing Committee with a view to finalize other initial and periodic reports to various treaty bodies.

Mr. Vice President.

In conclusion Indonesia wishes the People and Government of Guinea all the best in their ongoing and future endeavors in the promotion and protection of human rights in their country.

I thank you.