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**Statement by the Delegation of Indonesia
At the 21st Session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group
Consideration of the National Report of Kiribati
Geneva, 19 January 2015**

Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the delegation of Kiribati and would like to extend our appreciation for the presentation of their national report.

Indonesia notes with appreciation the various efforts taken by the government of Kiribati to promote and protect human rights of their citizens. The adoption of various human rights related legislations is commendable. The newly adopted legislations such as the Education Act, the Communications Act as well as the Children, Young Persons and Family Welfare Act to name but a few will no doubt significantly contribute to the overall efforts to promote and protect human rights of the citizens of Kiribati.

Indonesia also notes with appreciation the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities by the government of Kiribati in 2013. The ratification of this convention is a reflection of the high priority given by the government of Kiribati to the protection of rights of persons with disabilities.

We note with appreciation that Government of Kiribati is also considering a number of Human Rights instruments with a view to ratify or accede to them. **In this respect, we wish to recommend the Government of Kiribati to also consider signing and ratifying the United Nations Convention against Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (UNCAT).**

We also noted from the report that the Government of Kiribati is striving to reduce maternal and infant mortality rates through, among others, the implementation of the Reproductive Maternal Neonatal Child Adolescent Health Program. **In this regard, Indonesia would like to respectfully recommend the Government of Kiribati to continue its efforts to reduce the maternal and infant mortality rates.**

In conclusion, Mr. President, Indonesia would like to express our continued support to the government and people of Kiribati in their efforts to enhance the promotion and protection of human rights in their country.

I thank you.