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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF INDONESIA  
23RD SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP ON UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW  
CONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL REPORT OF SAINT LUCIA  
GENEVA, 5 NOVEMBER 2015**

Mr. President,

My delegation would like to thank the delegation of Saint Lucia for their national report and continuous engagement in the UPR Process.

Indonesia welcomes the commitment taken by the Government of Saint Lucia to promote and protect human rights by ratifying the two Optional Protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child which ensures the protection of every child. Moreover, Indonesia also commends Saint Lucia for acceding to the United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish trafficking in Persons and considering the establishment of the National Task Force on Trafficking of Persons.

Mr. President,

We take note of the challenges faced by the Government of Saint Lucia in, including with regard to human rights infrastructure, and its efforts to overcome them. In particular, we appreciate the efforts to strengthen its national human rights mechanisms. In this regard, **we recommend Saint Lucia to continue its efforts in establishing a National Human Rights Institution, in line with the Paris Principles.**

Indonesia also takes note the Government of Saint Lucia's efforts to combat acts of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment that have become a national priority within the past several years. In this regard, **Indonesia wishes to recommend the Government of Saint Lucia to further strengthen this effort, including to consider the ratification of the UN Convention against Torture.**

To conclude, Indonesia would like to offer its best wishes to the Government and people of Saint Lucia in their future endeavors towards the promotion and protection of human rights in the country.

Thank you.

