

STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF INDONESIA
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CONSIDERATION OF THE UPR REPORT OF SOLOMON ISLAND
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Mr. President,

My delegation would like to thank the Delegation of Solomon Island led by H.E. Mr. Milner Tozaka, Minister of Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Solomon Islands and thank them for their report. We noted the fact that Solomon Island has taken various measures in the promotion and protection of human rights based on the recommendation from the 1st UPR Cycle.

Mr. President,

Indonesia takes note that the Government of Solomon Island is currently focusing its attention to the protection women's rights and promotion of gender equality. We support the Government's efforts in enacting specific legislation which criminalizes all forms of violence against women, including within household; promoting greater participation and representation of women in public life, notably in the parliament and other national decision-making bodies; and promoting gender equality in the school curricula as part of the human rights awareness program.

We therefore recommend Solomon Island to continue and step up its efforts in the ratification/accession of ICCPR and CAT.

We take note the situation of the migrant workers in Solomon Islands which required more attention from the Government. **In this regard, we recommend the Government of Solomon Island to continue its efforts to improve measures to promote and protect the rights of migrant workers in the country including to consider the accession of the International Convention on the Rights of All Migrant Workers and members of their families.**

Mr. President,

We welcome the Government's efforts in establishing a national human rights institution, in line with Paris Principles and ensuring that international human rights instruments' obligations are incorporated into domestic laws. **In this regard, we recommend the Government of Solomon Island to further enhance its measures in the promotion and protection of human rights through, among others, developing a comprehensive human rights national action plan.** Indonesia also encourages the involvement of civil society as a partner of the government in promoting and protecting human rights.

To conclude, Indonesia would like to convey its best wishes to the Government of Solomon Island and its people in their future endeavors in protecting and promoting human rights.

I thank you.