**STATEMENT BY THE PERMANENT MISSION OF SINGAPORE AT THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (UPR) OF INDONESIA AT THE 27TH UPR WORKING GROUP, 3 MAY 2017**

Mr President,

Singapore warmly welcomes the Indonesian delegation to this UPR Working Group.

We commend President Joko Widodo’s leadership and drive to enhance social protection and reduce inequality for all Indonesians through programmes such as *Nawa Cita*.

We **recommend** that Indonesia continue to implement such policies, and develop infrastructure that provides more targeted social assistance, particularly to Indonesians living in the rural areas.

The Indonesian government has also implemented many measures since its last UPR to improve access to education, such as the *Universal Secondary Education* (USE) programme.

We **recommend** that Indonesia continue to implement policies to ensure the availability and affordability of education to all Indonesians, in particular those in the remote regions, and those with special needs.

Mr President,

Singapore and Indonesia will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations this year with a series of commemorative events.

We wish Indonesia every success in its development journey and in its efforts to promote and protect the human rights of all Indonesians.

Thank you Mr President.

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