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Mr. President,

We thank the delegation of Indonesia for their presentation.

Turkey welcomes Indonesia’s strong commitment to improve its human rights record and implement the international obligations as reflected in its national report.

We appreciate the Indonesian Government’s determination to uphold its national laws to global norms and to take necessary steps to further strengthen the implementation of the existing ratified conventions.

In this context, welcoming the fact that the Penal Code has been revised, we **recommend** Indonesia to complete swiftly the discussions within the legislative body on the revised draft.

We commend Indonesia’s sincere efforts towards prevention of torture and other cruel treatments. Yet, we **recommend** Indonesia to ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (OP-CAT).

We believe that combatting impunity and assuring that perpetrators of human rights violations and crimes against religious minorities are brought to legal proceedings would highly contribute to Indonesia’s efforts of promoting the ideas of unity in diversity and religious tolerance. Therefore, we **recommend** Indonesia to continue to combat impunity, including by strengthening laws and regulations as well as their implementation.

Thank you, Mr. President.