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Thank you, Mr. President,

The Maldives warmly welcomes the high-level delegation from Indonesia to this fourth cycle review and thanks the delegation for their presentation today.

The Maldives commends Indonesia for the considerable progress made in combating violence against women. In this regard, we take positive note of the enactment of the Sexual Violence Crime Law in April 2022.

In constructive spirit, the Maldives makes the following two recommendations:

1. Take appropriate measures to reduce the impact of mining on the environment, particularly on the pollution of land and water resources.

2. Increase efforts to ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

We wish Indonesia a successful review.

Thank you, Mr. President.