



**Statement by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia**

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Other Disarmament Measures, Regional Disarmament, and Disarmament  
Machinery**

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**Mr. Chairman,**

Indonesia associates itself with the statements of NAM and ASEAN.

The full statement will be available online.

Allow me to highlight our national positions.

**First, norms, principles, rules and legally binding frameworks in cyber space must be pursued.**

The advancement of ICT has brought tremendous opportunities. However, emerging threats and risks in cyberspace also increased through the misuse of ICT and irresponsible behavior of state and non-state actors. Moreover, cyber-attacks aimed at critical infrastructures can potentially bring humanitarian consequences.

Indonesia continues to advance mutual cooperation, best practices and capacities, to help enable an effective normative framework on cybersecurity that could ultimately be adopted universally, as we engage in all forums on this issue.

We welcome the outcome of both the OEWG and the GGE. We hope that these outcomes will reinforce one another as we embark to the next iteration, particularly on the upcoming OEWG session.

Indonesia also believes of a peaceful, secure and resilient regional cyberspace that serves as an enabler of economic progress and enhance regional connectivity for the betterment of living standards for all. In this regard, Indonesia acknowledges the ongoing cooperation and coordination among ASEAN member states and its

partners under its regional frameworks in promoting confidence building measures and capacity building, and implementation voluntary and non binding norms

**Second, we must continue to support regional disarmament efforts as one of the essential elements of the global disarmament architecture.**

Indonesia remains committed to the Southeast Asia Nuclear Free Zone Treaty (SEANWFZ) or Bangkok Treaty. Along with other ASEAN member states, Indonesia will continue the ongoing consultation with the Nuclear Weapon States and redouble our efforts to resolve the outstanding issues. We urge NWS to sign and ratify the Treaty's protocol at the earliest.

Indonesia is concerned with increased presence of power projection assets in our region, particularly the AUKUS partnership. We call upon ASEAN partners to refrain from any action inconsistent with the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation objectives, ASEAN Charter, UN Charter as well as the spirit and objective of the NPT.

A complete, verifiable, and irreversible denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula must be achieved. All parties must exercise utmost restraint, settle differences through peaceful means, and implement overarching obligations on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation. Our goal is to have a lasting peace, stability and prosperity in the region and beyond.

**Third, the continuance of the disarmament machinery is essential, thus non substantial matters should not hamper it.**

Indonesia remains concerned over the failure to convene the UNDC substantial session for three consecutive years. This has greatly eroded the disarmament machinery, over a non-substantive issue. All States should redouble its efforts to make the convening of UNDC a reality.

Indonesia underlines the lack of good faith, political will and trust among members of the Conference on Disarmament (CD). We call all member states to put more effort. We urge the CD to immediately agree on the program of work, which is instrumental to facilitate the substantive work.

Indonesia calls all states to collectively double efforts in strengthening a gender perspective within disarmament, which will help improve the functioning of our disarmament architecture.

Indonesia wishes also to acknowledge the instrumental role of the UNIDIR in supporting UN Member States and will continue to support its work.

**Mr. Chairman,**

This year Indonesia together with our partners tabled a resolution on Nuclear Weapon Free Southern Hemisphere and Adjacent Areas, we count on your support.

I thank you