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Agenda 3(a)

Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels

Agenda 3(b)

Review and appraisal of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and its contribution to the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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Thank you Mister Chair, Distinguished delegates,

At the outset, allow me to join others in congratulating His Excellency Courtenay Rattray of Jamaica on his election as the Chairperson of the Bureau of the 52nd Commission on Population and Development.

Likewise, I congratulate all bureau members on their respective elections.

Indonesia align itself to the statement delivered on behalf of G-77 and China.

I also take this opportunity to extend our appreciation for the reports submitted by the Secretary-General on actions to implement the ICPD Program of Action and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Indonesia attaches great importance to the implementation of the ICPD Program of Action. Since its establishment in 1994, Indonesia has experienced significant demographic, social, environmental and political changes.

It is indeed in line with Indonesia's efforts to achieve the objective of 2030 Agenda: leaving no one behind. The Government of Indonesia has therefore been paying close attention on its implementation at global, regional, and national levels.

Mister Chair,

It is our conviction that international cooperation in capacity building is essential for the successful implementation of the ICPD Program of Action, particularly through South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC).

Against this backdrop, Indonesia has been actively engaged with other developing countries in the framework of population and development. Through SSTC, Indonesia has shared its experiences to more than 5,200 family planning officers from more than 104 countries and will continue to strengthen it in the future.

In collaboration with development partners, Indonesia had made significant progress in family planning and reproductive health. The total fertility rate dropped from 5.6 children in 1970s to currently around 2.4 children in 2017. While contraceptive prevalence rate increased significantly from around 10% in 1970s to around 64% in 2017.

Mister Chair,

ICPD Program of Action and 2030 Agenda has been integrated into the National Long and Medium-Term National Development Plans. Likewise, in 2014 Indonesia has launched its national regulation that incorporates universal health coverage scheme for all citizens. Indonesia also established the SDGs Secretariat to monitor and evaluate the implementation of these commitments.

These efforts are instrumental to ensure:

First... the fulfillment of quality, accessible and affordable family planning and reproductive health-care, especially for married women of childbearing age.

Second... the elimination of violence against women through providing an integrated service center for violence victims, as well as providing legal assistance by line ministries.

Third... healthy growth of children and youth to optimize our demographic dividend.

And lastly... the investment on youth, to increase their human resources capacity, as the next future generation in advancing Indonesia's national development.

I thank you very much Mister Chair.