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Thank you Madam Chair,

Indonesia aligns itself with the statement delivered by Palestine on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Madam Chair,

Indonesia believes that peacekeeping has been and continues to be an indispensable tool for the UN, in the area of maintenance of international peace and security. Peacekeeping has had a great effect in saving lives, facilitating process and keeping the world at peace.

As one of the biggest troop and police contributors to the UN peacekeeping missions, Indonesia has contributed 38,000 troops in 28 missions since 1957. Currently, we have over 3,000 personnel serving in 9 missions.

With this credential, it is our moral obligation to contribute to a more effective and efficient conduct of business as peacekeeper faces a myriad of challenges.

Madam Chair,

Here in the Fifth Committee we need to be aware of the complex mandates that peacekeeping missions are charged to fulfill. This requires every personnel in the mission not only to be equipped and ready for the expected elements of their mission, but also to deal with the unforeseen challenges in the field.

In that regards, Indonesia would like to underscore a few important points:

First, to achieve a successful conclusion of the mission, adequate resourcing is pertinent. It must match the mandate to the mission. We cannot, and should not, ask our peacekeepers to do more...with less.

Declaration of Shared Commitments on UN Peacekeeping Operations, expected us - the Member States of the UN, in respective and various capacities, to seek measures to enable greater coherence between mandates and resources.

Second, Peacekeeping missions are not monolithic events. They constantly evolve, which is why there is always room for improvements to make the UN peacekeeping fit for purpose in the present and future.

One area that we should improve in is the safety and security of UN peacekeepers. Training and capacity building are tools to improve the safety and security as well as performance. There should be better priority to make peacekeepers well-trained, well-equipped, and well-informed.

Indonesia with other countries in the region are working closely with the Secretariat to meet the peacekeeping needs. We will also be hosting the Triangular Partnership Project (TPP) trainings to improve the capacity of peacekeepers on important peacekeeping issues.

Third, equal attention should also be put on the achieving adequate representation and participation of Troop- and Police-Contributing Countries both in the relevant Departments of the Secretariat handling peacekeeping missions and in the field.

Madam Chair,

The dedication and sacrifice of the men and women that have served in the UN Missions deserves credible recognition by the UN.

The Fifth Committee can ensure that peacekeeping troops can complete the mandates that they are charged to fulfill while also protecting their integrity and safety by matching the appropriate budget with their responsibilities on the ground.

Thank you.