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Mr. Chairman,

I would like to congratulate you on your election as the Chair of this Committee. My delegation has full confidence in your able leadership, and we are pleased to offer our support and cooperation to you and other members of the Bureau.

Before I begin, I would like to associate my statement with the statements delivered earlier by the distinguished representatives of Lao PDR, Iran, and Egypt; on behalf of ASEAN, the Non-aligned Movement; and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, respectively.

Let me also join other delegates and offer condolences and sympathy to the Government and people of Kenya, as well as victims of the recent terrorist attack in Nairobi. This horrible attack is further evidence that despite the robustness of our international cooperation, international terrorist groups and their networks have become increasingly sophisticated.

The attack must strengthen our commitment and determination to fight this common threat. I therefore wish to reiterate our support of the multilateral cooperation against international terrorism, and the primary role of the United Nations in it.

Mr. Chairman,

Indonesia remains true to its commitment to fight terrorism.

At the national level this year, Indonesia enacted the Law on the Prevention and Suppression of Terrorist Financing. It lays down the foundation for the implementation of the 1999 International Convention on the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism, which was ratified in April 2006.

The Law authorizes law enforcement institutions, including the financial intelligence unit, to trace transactions that are conducted by individuals or entities suspected of involvement with terrorism.

This Law will complement other laws that have been put in place, such as the Law on the Suppression of the Crime of Terrorism and the Law on the Prevention and Suppression of Money Laundering.

Mr. Chairman,

Respecting human rights also forms an integral part of our fight against terrorism, in line with our international human rights commitment, as well as our domestic laws on the promotion and protection of human rights.

Law enforcement measures take precedence in our national efforts on counter-terrorism. I am pleased to say that a large number of terrorist cases have so far been solved, and the perpetrators brought to justice.

I take this opportunity to point out that these law enforcement measures are not simply to satisfy our human rights commitment; they are also to strengthen the rule of law.

Furthermore, in our experience, terrorism cannot be addressed merely by utilizing hard measures. That is why our national counter-terrorism strategy also employs measures such as de-radicalization and counter-radicalization.

Indonesia also actively pursues regional and global cooperation on counter-terrorism. At the regional level, Indonesia and other ASEAN Member States have strengthened cooperation on counter-terrorism, among others through the ASEAN Convention on Counter Terrorism, which was completely ratified by all ASEAN Member States in January this year.

In addition, under the APEC framework of cooperation, Indonesia is chair of the APEC Counter-Terrorism Task Force for the period of 2013-2014.

In the UN system, we participate in the UN Counter-terrorism Centre. In other global frameworks, Indonesia will continue its active participation in the Global Counter-Terrorism Forum.

Indonesia also looks forward to opportunities to share knowledge and experience in counter-terrorism. In line with this intention, Indonesia will further utilize the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation (JCLEC) as a platform for regional and global cooperation in capacity building. This center of excellence, which was established in 2004 in cooperation with the Government of Australia, has made a sterling contribution to the fight against terrorism. I am proud to say that between its establishment in 2004 and May 2013, JCLEC has trained more than 13,000 participants from 68 countries.

Mr. Chairman,

The discussion under this agenda item is a good opportunity for us to further deliberate on means and measures for making our global counter-terrorism cooperation more effective and coordinated.

The UN Global Counter Terrorism Strategy must remain at the foundation of our multilateral cooperation. In this respect, Indonesia renews its call for the comprehensive and balanced implementation of the four Pillars of the Strategy. We also stand ready to contribute in the discussion of the Fourth Biennial Review of the Strategy, which will take place next year during this session of the General Assembly.

Furthermore, as we work harder to address the root causes of terrorism, we must ensure that our response is holistic rather than reactive and sporadic.

It must take into account a wide range of factors – from law enforcement to legislative frameworks, and from socio-economic policy to advancement of democratic values.

Mr. Chairman,

Indonesia would like to reiterate that terrorism must not be associated with any religion, culture, or group. In this regard, the international community must continue its efforts to dismiss such profiling.

It is also essential that we galvanize our efforts to empower the voice of the moderates, and promote spirit of tolerance and mutual understanding. Let us intensify dialogue among religions and cultures, so as to enable people from different faiths or cultures to better understand each other.

The convening of the 6th Global Forum of the UN Alliance of Civilizations in August 2014 in Indonesia, which aims at bridging differences and shaping mutual understanding, is another testament of our strong belief in the primacy of dialogue. We intend to make the Forum an important global event for the promotion of mutual understanding, respect and tolerance among peoples from different cultures and civilizations of the world in line with our belief in "Unity in diversity."

We also must not forget that the involvement of the media is crucial to further promoting tolerance and understanding. The media has the power to rally the public, and to educate them. To impart wisdom to public opinion. And to mediate public dialogue that leads to mutual respect, cooperation and peace.

Mr. Chairman,

Finally, I wish to reiterate that if we are to defeat the menace of terrorism, synergy among relevant international stakeholders is a must, and we must continue to energize global partnerships.

The United Nations is and will remain at the core of that partnership.

I thank you.