

STATEMENT BY DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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Agenda Item 74:
"Criminal Accountability of
United Nations Officials and Experts on Mission"

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Mr. Chair,

- 1. To begin with, allow me to express our sincere appreciation to the Secretary General for his report contained in document A/77/237 and A/77/225.
- 2. Indonesia aligns itself with the statements previously delivered by the delegation of Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.
- 3. Indonesia is of the view that this agenda item remains relevant and crucial for deliberation in this forum as it closely relates to the fundamental principles of the rule of law against impunity.

Mr. Chair,

- 4. I should begin to acknowledge the dedication and courageous work of thousands of UN Officials and Experts on missions in:
 - → maintaining international peace and security;
 - → developing friendly relations among nations;
 - → promoting international cooperation; and
 - harmonizing actions of nations in the attainment of those common ends.
- We consider their duties as noble. Their sacrifice and contribution shall be recognized and appreciated.

- As the forefront of the UN, it is important that in the performance of their duties, all UN Officials and Experts must exercise the highest standards of conduct and integrity, and respect local laws and customs,
 - → in a manner that preserves the image and credibility of the Organization.

Mr. Chair,

- 7. Allow me to convey three salient points:
- 8. **First**, pre-deployment training is key.
- 9. As one of the Troops and Police Contributing Countries, ranked 8 out of 121 TPCCs with a total of 2,686 personnel in 6 UN Peacekeeping Missions, Indonesia has a strong commitment to uphold the highest standard of conduct for our peacekeepers.
- For these personnel, Indonesia creates a systematic system starting from rigorous selection process, mission-tailored pre-deployment training, until post-mission assessment.
- 11. Indonesia has established training facility in Bogor, West Java, to provide effective pre-deployment training in such areas as safety and security, community engagement and protection of civilian strategies, human rights, conduct and discipline, as well as comprehension on the

role of women peacekeepers and prevention of sexual exploitation and

abuse.

12. Peacekeepers from many countries have also been trained in this

facility along with our troops.

13. **Second**, sending State should have jurisdiction over their personnel

on UN mission for criminal offences prosecution.

14. Indonesian Penal Code allows us to establish criminal jurisdiction over

Indonesian nationals wherever they commit criminal offences.

15. In a specific case, the Penal Code also established a jurisdiction to

prosecute other nationalities that affects Indonesia's national interests.

16. **Lastly**, collaborative reporting coordination procedures.

17. Indonesia is of the view of the need for a collaborative coordination of

policies and procedures relating to the reporting of allegations

revealing that a crime may have been committed by UN Officials and

Experts on mission, within an agreed legal framework between the

sending State and the UN, to ensure the credibility of the allegations.

18. Thank you.

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