

**STATEMENT**  
**H.E. Ms. Grata Werdaningtyas**  
**Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Indonesia**  
**at the 18<sup>th</sup> MSP to the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention**

Agenda item 9.e. Destroying Stockpiled anti-personnel mines

*Mr. President, Excellencies, Ladies, and Gentlemen,*

*Since this is the first time for my delegation to take the floor, let me begin by thanking Sudan Presidency and your leadership in continuing the progress of our work in this very challenging time.*

*Mr. President,*

*Indonesia believes that the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention is a paramount legal instrument for disarmament and international humanitarian law.*

*It contributes to end humanitarian suffering and casualties from the explosion of these inhumane weapons.*

*As Party to the Convention, Indonesia remains committed to the full and effective implementation of the Convention and the Oslo Action Plan.*

*Since joining the Convention in 2007, Indonesia has destroyed over 83% of our initial anti-personnel mines' stockpiles until 2019, or over 13.000 units in stockpiles.*

*As per our recent report, Indonesia still retains 2.050 units of anti-personnel mines for the purposes permitted under the Article III of the Convention.*

*Along this line Indonesia has set a national plan for 2021-2024 with a view to lowering down the number of its retained units used for training and educational purposes of our Peacekeepers and Bomb Squads.*

*Mr. President,*

*We wish to underline the importance of financial, technical, and humanitarian assistance for states parties in fulfilling their obligations under the Convention, including in meeting their deadlines.*

*We therefore call on the State Parties, in a position to do so, to provide necessary resources for these affected countries.*

*Of this, we also believe the "link and match" between the assistance, the needs of recipient countries, and the support from the ISU, are crucial in ensuring the continuity and effective implementation of the Convention.*

*Finally, we wish to once again reaffirm Indonesia's steadfast commitment to the full realization of the objective of the Convention. I thank you.*