## Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia on Stockpile Destruction and Retention

Mr. President, Excellencies, Ladies, and Gentlemen,

Indonesia, as a country, has never manufactured or utilized anti-personnel mines. Since joining the Convention in 2007, Indonesia has destroyed over 13,000 anti-personnel mines, which accounts for over 83% of our stockpile.

Currently, Indonesia retains 2,050 antipersonnel mines for training purposes, as permitted by the Convention.

Indonesia commends the states parties that have demonstrated commitment in destroying their mine stockpiles within the prescribed time frame. We emphasize the importance of financial, technical, and humanitarian assistance for those states in

meeting their deadlines. Therefore, Indonesia urges donor countries, including non-party nations, to take concrete actions in providing necessary support to states parties in need.

## Mr. President,

To address the detrimental impact of landmines, Indonesia focuses on training and educating its military personnel. Comprehensive training in conventional weapons, including landmines, is extensively provided to military personnel at various levels.

These training programs are crucial in enhancing their skills to mitigate the severity of landmine effects, not only for the soldiers' well-being but also to prevent civilian casualties. These skills have proven essential not only for our national interests but also for our peacekeeping operations under the United Nations. Many of our deployed personnel have demonstrated

expertise in neutralizing significant numbers of landmines during their missions.

## Mr. President,

Drawing from Indonesia's experience in dealing with landmines, I want to assure you that our country is prepared to share its expertise to assist nations in need.

Thank you, Mr. President.