

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the UN, WTO, and Other International Organizations in Geneva

## STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA AT THE 76th SESSION OF WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY AGENDA 15.4 POLIOMYELITIS

## 24 May 2023

## Thank you Chair,

- 1. First of all, we would like to appreciate the Secretariat for developing the report under this agenda item. We fully agree and endorse the document's content.
- 2. Indonesia expressed support for WHO's efforts to fully implementing and financing all aspects of the Polio Eradication Strategy 2022-2026.
- 3. Inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) is important to overcome outbreak. Oral polio vaccine (OPV) and IPV are included in the routine immunization programme in Indonesia.
- 4. Indonesia recognizes WHO's continued leadership and cooperation with member countries and relevant stakeholders in permanently interrupt all poliovirus transmission in endemic countries, and stop transmission of circulating vaccinederived poliovirus and prevent outbreaks in non-endemic countries.
- 5. Indonesia appreciates WHO's trust in Indonesian vaccine manufacturers. WHO and our National Agency of Drug and Food Control have collaborated in a joint assessment in issuing the distribution permit for the world's first novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2).
- 6. Poliovirus containment is important, and Indonesia complies with this measure. We have also reported it to the inventory.
- 7. Indonesia supports the alignment of polio transition with other agendas including the pandemic preparedness, prevention and response.

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