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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA
AT THE 76th SESSION OF WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY
AGENDA 22.1 PREVENTION OF SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND
ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT
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Thank you, Chair.

1. Indonesia would like to thank the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee for having prepared the report on the prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and sexual harassment and we support the recommendations given to be implemented by the WHO Secretariat.
2. Indonesia associates itself with the Joint Statement on the prevention of and response to sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment delivered by Australia.
3. We recognize the strong leadership of the Director General together with the six Regional Directors in achieving zero tolerance for sexual exploitation, abuse and sexual harassment by anyone and anywhere, including by WHO authorities. It is our hope that the Director General continues to ensure transparency and accountability in conducting investigations regarding the WHO personnel who were involved in the sexual misconduct.
4. Indonesia stands firmly committed to addressing the issues of sexual exploitation, abuse, and harassment, and underlines the importance of the human rights protection against any sexual misconduct.
5. We recognize the urgent need for global efforts to safeguard the safety and rights of all people. Therefore, we support the Three-Year Strategy on Preventing and Responding to Sexual Misconduct and urge all parties for its implementation.
6. Protection of victims and survivors, building a transparent and accountable system, creating a holistic approach with all stakeholders, as well as conducting adequate training on sexual misconducting prevention, must be our priorities.
7. We also encourage all of us to promote the importance of this issue as widely as possible. In doing so, we can start preventing and eliminating sexual misconduct, together with all elements of the society.
8. Indonesia's 2022 Sexual Violence Crime Law is a testament to our unwavering commitment to combating sexual exploitation, abuse, and harassment. This comprehensive legislation highlights our key priorities in strengthening the legal framework, enhancing prevention strategies, and ensuring accessible support services.

9. As combating sexual exploitation, abuse and sexual harassment is a shared responsibility, Indonesia stands ready to support WHO and to engage in achieving zero tolerance for sexual exploitation, abuse, and harassment as well as for inaction against it. We believe that under Director-General's leadership, we can work together to tackle this issue and to create a safer world for all individuals free from any kind of sexual misconduct.

I thank you, Chair.