STATEMENT OF THE DELEGATION OF INDONESIA
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Thank you Chair.

Indonesia thanks the Secretariat for preparing the background document under this agenda item.

Indonesia also appreciates the work that WHO and all member states have done in ensuring the continuity of AMR prevention and control program despite the pandemic.

Indonesia took note that the 2020 GLASS surveillance data report showed that there is an increasing number of antimicrobial resistance for several antibiotics.

The current pandemic has also affected the pattern of use of the antimicrobial use.

Therefore, Indonesia is committed to strengthen the implementation of the Global Action Plan on AMR, GLASS, and other global health policy, as well as commitment related to AMR at the national level.

Indonesia translates this commitment through our participation in the Antimicrobial Consumption component of WHO GLASS and through the dissemination of information on the rational use of antimicrobial and antimicrobial consumption surveillance to the pharmaceutical distributors and industry.

Guideline of Antibiotic Use has already in place and under revision to incorporated the Access, Watch, and Reserve (AWaRe) antibiotic classification. In addition, Indonesia has launched the Antimicrobial Stewardship Guideline at the Antimicrobial Awareness Week 2020.

This is one of Indonesia’s efforts to address the AMR issue during the pandemic, where countries are encouraged to adjust the priority of the antimicrobial resistance control program.

In this regard, Indonesia would like to underline the importance of the global community to continue prioritising AMR prevention and control as one of the global health issues that, if not properly controlled, will have adverse effects on the health, social, and even economic sectors.

This effort needs a synergized collaboration between WHO, other AMR-related UN agencies, and development partners to further encourage multisectoral cooperation and improve the commitment of all stakeholders, be it at the global, regional, or national level.

Thank you Chair.