

STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF INDONESIA
2025 UN DISARMAMENT COMMISSION SUBSTANTIVE SESSION

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Mr. Chair,

1. Allow me at the outset to congratulate you on your appointment as the Chair, and also to the Bureau members of this year's UN Disarmament Commission.
2. This year's UN Disarmament Commission is held amidst the heightened uncertainties in the global security landscape.
3. In such times, our deliberation in this Commission must be guided with a strong commitment to pursue urgent and concrete actions by fostering mutual trust and understanding among us.
4. In achieving such goal, rest assured, Mr. Chair, of our Delegation's support throughout the session.

Mr. Chair,

5. Indonesia aligns itself with the statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and ASEAN, and would like to add additional points in our national capacity.
6. **On Working Group 1**, progress must be made in the discussion on nuclear disarmament.
7. Our position under this Working Group is grounded in the principles of our Constitution, and in Bandung Principles, which gives the impetus for the Non-Aligned Movement with its strong positions on disarmament.
8. There are **THREE** important points to highlight.
9. **FIRST**, we must remain steadfast from our ultimate objective to achieve the world free of nuclear weapons.
10. We are concerned that today, we bear witness to intensifying strategic rivalries, weakening of disarmament commitments, expansion of nuclear arsenals and the worrying trend of renewed reliance on nuclear deterrence.
11. However, this situation is not a given, nor is it the only reason for deadlock in achieving progress in producing concrete recommendation on this Working Group.

12. It is a result of political choices and we have the opportunity to change them.
13. Therefore, concrete progress must be made:
 - ➔ Nuclear-weapon State must fulfill their obligations under the NPT through balanced implementation of its mutually reinforcing pillars;
 - ➔ Nuclear-armed states must step-up efforts to nuclear disarmament; and
 - ➔ Relevant states should take steps to stop hosting nuclear weapons in their territories and reject the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
14. In addition, the Pact for the Future that we adopted last year has set targets for us to achieve, ahead of its review in 2028.
15. Those targets we set in the Pact could be one of our guidance to monitor progress and to avoid any regression.
16. **SECOND**, we must not be side-tracked by any interim steps in achieving nuclear disarmament.
17. While acknowledging the role of nuclear risk reduction to prevent humanitarian consequences...
 - ➔ It is not and should not replace nuclear disarmament obligations...
 - ➔ Or distract from the fulfillment of those obligations.
18. **THIRD**, revitalization of disarmament architecture is key to achieve progress.
19. We call for the universalization and full implementation of commitments of international instruments on nuclear disarmament...
 - ➔ Including the NPT, TPNW, and CTBT.
20. Our work should be geared to ensure that all disarmament machinery works effectively and in complementarity.
21. We should not let this more-than-three cycles of failure in adopting recommendations in Working Group 1 be a new normal.
22. Options to make progress are on the table.
23. We take note of suggestions made by some Delegations last year, for instance, to change the focus of Working Group 1 in the spirit of finding ways for this Commission to adopt recommendations on nuclear disarmament.
 - ➔ This proposal is worth to be considered.

Mr. Chair,

24. Turning to Working Group 2.
25. We thank the Chair for providing a useful starting point last year in building common understanding on how new new and emerging technologies impact international peace and security.
26. This year, we hope the discussion can become more focused, so that by next year, we will be in a good position to begin deliberating on concrete and operational recommendations.
27. In this regard, Indonesia sees the importance of open and inclusive discussion on the growing use of Artificial Intelligence in the Military Domain.
28. The UNDC holds a unique value as an inclusive multilateral forum to address this issue in a comprehensive manner, and to complement other ongoing initiatives discussing AIMD.
29. Indonesia sees the importance of addressing capacity gaps, promoting inclusive governance of AIMD, fostering international cooperation, as well as confidence building measures in its development as key issues that can be discussed by the UNDC.
30. We emphasize that meaningful human control must remain a core principle in the development and use of emerging technologies, to ensure that these technologies serve the cause of peace rather than contribute to instability.
31. We look forward to engaging with other delegations on how to best shape the discussions going forward.

Mr. Chair,

32. In conclusion, we would like to reiterate our hope that the spirit of multilateralism must guide us throughout this substantive session.
33. We must not let our commitments that we have set become empty promises.
34. In that spirit, let us work together for this Commission to be able to fulfill its mandates that were set almost five decades back.

I thank you.

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