

STATEMENT OF INDONESIA DELEGATE by ACTING CHAIRMAN / THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN FOR LICENSING AND INSPECTION

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Honourable Chair, Excellencies, Esteemed Delegates, and Distinguished Colleagues,

The delegation of Indonesia is privileged to be a part of this meeting, and thank you for according us the time to deliberate this speech. Allow me first to extend my appreciation to the Viet Nam Agency for Radiation and Nuclear Safety (VARANS) for convening this important meeting.

I would also like to warmly congratulate Dr. Geoffrey Shaw on your appointment as the Director General of the Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation (ASNO). I am looking forward to working with you to continue the strong collaborative partnership that ASNO and BAPETEN have established, and to foster further strengthening of our cooperative efforts in the region through the APSN.

The Covid-19 pandemic became the greatest challenge for every nation in the world, and the impact has disrupted all aspects of social life. Despite the challenges, as a network, we have the

responsibility to promote and support nuclear safeguards capabilities of states in the Asia-Pacific region, as well as to continue pursuing the implementation of safeguards in the region as our commitment to achieve peaceful uses of nuclear energy.

On this important occasion, I have several points to convey:

First, Indonesia as a state party to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, fully supports the transparency in peaceful uses of nuclear energy. The NPT as an indispensable instrument has played a pivotal role and ensuring the states' inalienable rights of non-proliferation of nuclear technology in a strictly peaceful manner.

Second, Indonesia committed to working closely with the IAEA through the implementation of the Comprehensive Safeguard Agreement (CSA) since 1980, Additional Protocol (AP) since 1999, Integrated Safeguard since 2003, and also the implementation of State-Level Approach (SLA) since January 2017.

Third. would like to reiterate Indonesia commitment to safeguards agreements additional protocols during the second wave of the Covid-19 outbreak, which has reached more than 50.000 daily cases. Indonesia received the IAEA inspectors' team to implement Physical Inventory Verification (PIV) and Complementary Access (CA) to nuclear facilities in Serpong and Yogyakarta. Indonesia also continues to carry out its obligation to submit nuclear material accounting reports and additional protocol declarations to the IAEA in a timely manner through the State Declaration Portal (SDP). Indonesia also received Short Notice Inspection (SNI) from the IAEA on December 2021.

Fourth, Indonesia is dedicated to supporting the APSN sustaining its focus on the improvement of human resources and safeguards techniques, strengthening the national regulatory infrastructures for nuclear safeguards implementation, thus assuring the peaceful uses of nuclear energy in our region.

Fifth, we are now facing the challenges of global commitment to net-zero carbon emissions in 2050-2060 and nuclear energy is one solution to meet

the needs of clean and sustainable energy. Therefore, the APSN must be able to increase collaboration and share information among embarking countries. We do hope this plenary meeting becomes a forum to share information and discuss safeguards implementation during Covid-19, as well as the NPP preparation for embarking country specifically on safeguard approaches. Indonesia recently issued the Law on Job Creation (Omnibus Law) and also the Government Regulation concerning Business Licensing that will ease of doing the licensing process, including licensing for construction of nuclear power plant and safeguards provisions.

Mister Chairman,

To conclude, Indonesia underlines the importance of strengthening our collaboration, which was established 12 years ago. Cooperation and partnership prove to be the most effective way to achieve comprehensive safeguards in the region.

Thank you very much.