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AGENDA ITEM 8: PREPARATION FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW URBAN AGENDA WEDNESDAY, 30 MARCH 2022

Mr. Chair, Madam ED

Thank you for the opportunity given to our delegation.

Under this agenda item 8, our delegation would like to convey three following points:

- <u>First</u>, it is crucial to continue advancing the New Urban Agenda, even after the upcoming High-Level Meeting on New Urban Agenda in New York next month. We need to mainstream the issue of NUA to the relevant meetings in the future, with the aim at supporting the attainment of target of SDGS, especially on SDG 11.
- <u>Second</u>, it is imperative to listen to the voice of the region. The High-Level Meeting on New Urban Agenda would benefit from inputs from various regions on the implementation of NUA in their respective regions.
- In this regard, Indonesia has submitted its National Voluntary Report on NUA and has actively been participating in the preparatory processes in the Asia Pacific region.
- We supported the UNHabitat Regional Office in Asia Pacific and UNESCAP in convening the NUA pre-meeting for the 9th Asia Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (APFSD), which took place in 21st March 2022.
- Furthermore, Indonesia also delivered a regional statement on NUA at the 9th APFSD on 29th March 2022, as a collective voice of the region on NUA as input to the High-Level Meeting in New York. We thank UNHabitat for having uploaded the event in its web story for information.
- Third, it is central to have more national voluntary reporting on NUA by 2026, for the 3rd Quadrennial report. In this regard, it would be important to raise awareness, increase capacity building, strengthening partnerships, including through South-South and Triangular Cooperation, and through maximizing the existing forum and channels.

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In closing, I would like to reiterate Indonesia's support to the work of UNHabitat in promoting issues of human settlement and sustainable urbanization, including through the convening of the upcoming High-Level Meeting on New Urban Agenda.

We, in Nairobi, are closely coordinating with Capital and with New York to ensure high-level participation from our side.

I thank you.