

STATEMENT BY

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Mr. Chairman,

1. Today, **we continue to face so many challenges across the globe.**
2. We see before its very eyes,... the growing tendency and inclination towards unilateralism... protectionism... based on a zero-sum mindset.
 - a proof of a clear deviation...
 - from the basic principles and purposes...
 - not only of the Movement.....but also of the UN Charter.
3. On that account, **let me highlight 3 (three) main points:**
4. **First, we must re-position multilateralism at the center of our Movement.**
5. Strengthening the UN system in promoting global peace must be put at the heart of our commitment.
6. This also means... putting respect of sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as non-use of force... as the basis...of promoting peaceful settlement of dispute.
7. For its part, Indonesia will continue to be a true partner for peace as a Non-Permanent Member of the Security Council for the period 2019-2020.

8. **Second, our Movement should serve as the biggest source of support to the plight of the Palestinian people.**
9. Our support to Palestine is incomplete without the recognition of Palestine **from all members of the Movement.**
10. Indonesia calls on NAM Countries **which have yet to recognize Palestine...** to render their recognition as immediately as possible.
11. Let us reinforce our support... to Palestine's efforts in joining international organizations... and accede to various international treaties and conventions.
12. Our Movement's support to Palestine has witnessed a major setback... including one that is marked by the illegal act of changing the status quo of Jerusalem.
13. Indonesia is deeply concerned... by the decision made by a member of our Movement to relocate its embassy in Jerusalem.
14. This act is contrary to the guiding principles of the Non-Aligned Movement.
15. As to our commitment to multilateralism in promoting peaceful settlement of dispute,

→ **we condemn and reject any notion and attempt to alter** the status of East Jerusalem... and entirely turn it into the capital of Israel.

16. **We urge all NAM Countries... with no exception...** not to pursue the same illegal path of changing the status quo.

17. We call on all NAM Countries to request the UN Security Council... and the UN General Assembly **to immediately take concrete measures...** to determine that illegal act contravenes international laws.

18. We should remain committed to defend the two-state solution and the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination and statehood with East Jerusalem as the future of the Palestinian Capital.

19. **Third, focus on education to move towards SDGs.**

20. As an important element in fighting poverty, **education** is one of key elements in achieving SDGs.

21. We must strengthen our commitment in education by ensuring education for all as a principle part of our national policy,

→ by increasing investments for better education program, and

→ by strengthening our cooperation on education.

22. Governments must ensure adequate funding in education.
23. **In Indonesia, allocating 20% of the national budget** to education is a Constitutional mandate.
24. Cooperation in education is not only about financial and technical supports.
25. It requires collaborative and innovative processes involving multistakeholder efforts and partnerships.
26. As such, our Movement should take benefit of the existing Jakarta-based Non-Aligned Movement Centre for South-South Technical Cooperation or NAM CSSTC.
27. Indonesia has conducted over **522 capacity building** programs, including on Women and Youth Empowerment programs.
28. **6.685 participants** from Asia, Pacific, Africa, Middle East, and Latin America and the Caribbean, attended the programs.
29. Our international collaboration facilitated by NAM CSSTC further ensures the sustainability of the South-South Cooperation, its programs and funding.

Mr. Chairman,

30. Let me conclude by emphasizing **Indonesia's readiness to work together** with other NAM member countries and organizations.

31. Indonesia is ready to cooperate in **promoting the culture of dialogue** to find a common ground in solving our differences.

32. Thus, we can try to move forward in creating **a better future for all members of the United Nations.**

33. I thank you.

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