

**Statement by the Indonesian Delegation
5th Session of the Human Rights Council
on institutional building**

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Mr President,

At the outset, allow me to echo previous speakers in extending our appreciation for your new revised text. We do share the views of many that there remains much room for improvement. Nonetheless, it is indeed a significant step to make way forward.

We would like to associate ourselves with the statement made by the delegation of Pakistan on behalf of the OIC, and all important points she eloquently addressed.

I would also like to take this opportunity to reiterate our firm belief that the grave human rights situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territories warrants the consideration of this Council under a standing item until the end of the occupation. Consequently, the mandate of Special Rapporteur on the situation of the Occupied Palestinian Territories does not fall under the category of country mandates as it clearly deals with the situation of people under occupation which constitute the worst form of human rights violations.

At this stage, we would like also to underline one point regarding rules of procedures and working methods in relation to the need for a clear criteria of considering and adopting country resolutions. This issue is of paramount importance which needs our focused attention at this critical juncture of our discussion with a view of preventing the over politicization of the Council's work in the future, the same problem which became the reason d'être of the abolition of the Council's predecessor, the Human Rights Commission.

To conclude, Mr President, let me reiterate once again our commitment to contribute constructively in our collective endeavors in the process of establishing a sound institutional building.

Thank you.