



**Remarks by
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Your Excellency, Mr. Mark Rutte, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Your Excellency, Mr. Albert Gerard Koenders, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Excellencies Ministers, Distinguished Participants, Ladies and Gentlemen,

At the outset, I would like to convey Indonesia's appreciation to the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands for hosting this important and timely event which invites governments, private sectors, and civil society.

Excellencies,

Cyberspace plays an important role in promoting democracy, and breeds economic growth and prosperity.

Nonetheless, we are also cognizant that Cyberspace could also be used to incite hatred and enflame all sorts of crime.

Hence, it is our duty to enhance the potentials of Cyberspace and at the same time curtailing its adverse impact. Such effort can only be done through an effective partnership involving all stakeholders.

Excellencies,

Allow me to share on how Indonesia have been doing on Cyberspace. We have been engaging in intensive dialogues with various stakeholders within Indonesia on national cyber policy and mechanism, which established cyber multi-stakeholders platform to operate the internet.

Whilst at the international level, Indonesia had hosted the 8th Internet Governance Forum 2013 in Bali with the theme “Building Bridges: Enhancing Multi-stakeholder Cooperation for Growth and

Sustainable Development". The conference where Government, business sector, and civil society work hand in hand is indeed exemplary and shows that multi-stakeholders works.

Excellencies,

Allow me to share with you Indonesia's thoughts on how the international community should address the challenges in the utilization of Cyberspace.

First, we encourage international community to reaffirm that the same rights that people have offline must as well be protected online. Consequently, there must be adequate efforts on safeguarding the rights of others to prevent the risk of abuse or arbitrary exercise.

Second, Indonesia believes that in order to deal with the challenges from the use and misuse of global Internet infrastructures by multi-stakeholders users, we need to develop and adopt common principles of ethics while respecting the sovereignty of states and diversity of nations as foundation to ensure responsible behavior of States, private sectors, and civil society on cyberspace. Indonesia stresses that states not only have international rights, but also duties in its relations to other states.

Third, we need to further discuss and find a suitable forum for the establishment of a global architecture on cyberspace as being acknowledged in the 69th of the UNGA. An inclusive, effective, and clear objective global architecture forum participated by governments, private sectors, and civil society in the framework of the United Nations' World Summit of Information Society is essential.

Excellencies,

I would like to conclude by expressing our commitment, to support international cooperation for global internet development, towards a safe, secure and tolerant cyberspace, in which, I believe, enshrined in our presence here.

In this regards, as the issue of cyberspace is one of our concerns, we would like to express our interest in continuing the spirit of the Conference on Cyberspace by hosting this event in 2017.

I thank you.