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**Thirteenth Session of the Working Group of the Universal Periodic Review**

**Statement by H.E. Ms. Iruthisham Adam, Permanent Representative of the Maldives to the United Nations**

**Review of Indonesia, 23 May 2012**

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Thank you, Madam President.

The Maldives would like to warmly welcome the distinguished delegation of Indonesia to this 13<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR working group. We would also like to congratulate Indonesia on the broad and inclusive consultation process involved in the preparation of its report.

Notwithstanding the Government of Indonesia's intention and commitment to sign various human rights related conventions and protocols, we also note that the UPR process has started to bring positive developments on the ground. Since the first review, Indonesia has enacted more than 20 laws and regulations aiming for the promotion and protection of human rights.

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Madam President,

The OHCHR's report states that in recent years, the country has lost between 1.6 million and 2.8 million hectares of forest annually to illegal logging and land conversion. The Maldives would like to request the Delegation to briefly describe what steps the government is taking to fight illegal logging and the illicit trade in forest products, and do justice to natural resource management?

In a spirit of cordiality and cooperation, the Maldives would like to make the following recommendations to the Government of Indonesia:

1. To ratify OPCAT
2. To sign the OP to the CRC on Communications Procedure
3. Issue a standing invitation to the Special Procedures.

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Thank you, Madam President