STATEMENT

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Excellencies, Distinguished guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of my delegation, I commend the work of the 6th Session of the Committee on Statistics which efforts have bring together Asia-Pacific statistics community to formulate vision and framework to navigate policy with data to leave no one behind.

Therefore, I wish to emphasize on Indonesia’s commitment and full support for the adoption of the Declaration on “Navigating policy with data to leave no one behind” and the implementation of the “Advancing Official Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.” Indonesia views that this framework is in line with the global vision on the importance of the reliable and timely statistics for evidence-based decision-making to support the full implementation of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

In this regard, I would like to highlight on three pertinent points:

First, Indonesian Government is committed to the implementation of these collective vision and framework for action, while stressing that the improvements to the national statistical system
should prioritize national objectives and development targets. Every country is different. Therefore, it is important to recognize in implementing these frameworks we must take into accounts national diversities and circumstances.

Second, we are ready to strengthen and develop our national monitoring framework with an indicator to provide evidence-based policy. Formulating national indicators is a challenge as the SDGs are comprised of a set of goals and targets interacting with one another. Indonesia will take this dynamic in its indicators that could provide a better data for better policy implementation.

Third, Indonesia in the process of establishing a Presidential Decree on “ONE DATA”, to create an integrated national statistical system. We are aiming to engage all relevant stakeholders in order to develop official statistics and data that will be responsive to the national need. The integrated system will help us to develop, coordinate, and to disseminate the official statistics. With this decree, Indonesia will fulfill the legislative provisions and institutional mechanism necessary for the national statistical system to follow national and international data exchange as well as to build partnerships for data sharing.

To conclude, Mr. Chairman, Indonesia reiterates its assurance to continue supporting the work of the Committee on Statistics on the future implementation of the declaration to navigate policy with data to leave no one behind.

I thank you.