***ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF GLOBAL COMPACT
FOR SAFE, ORDERLY, AND REGULAR MIGRATION***

***AGENDA ITEM 3: THEMATIC DISCUSSIONS ON PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES WITH
REGARD TO IMPLEMENTING GCM***

***ROUNDTABLE 4: STRENGTHENING EVIDENCE-BASED POLICYMAKING, PUBLIC
DEBATE AND COOPERATION FOR SAFE, ORDERLY AND REGULAR MIGRATION***

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> *Highlight objective* pada *Roundtable* 4 yaitu:
> - *Objective 1: Collect and utilize accurate and disaggregated data as a basis for evidence-based policies*
> - *Objective 23: Strengthen international cooperation and global partnerships for safe, orderly and regular migration*

Usulan Intervensi

Ladies and gentlemen
Distinguished delegates
Good afternoon,

1. International migrants' workers have been playing an increasingly important role in Indonesia's labour market since the 1980s.

   ➔ More than 5 million Indonesians have legally migrated to other countries for job opportunities.
   ➔ The actual number of Indonesian migrant workers is estimated to be higher.
   ➔ In 2016, we recorded USD 8,9 billion remittances from migrants, which is equivalent to 1% of Indonesia's total GDP.

2. Indonesia fully understands the importance of migration statistics in order to improve evidence-based policymaking.
   ➔ With a better data collection, we may better understand trends and evolving migration patterns, and support the development of evidence-based responses.

3. Nevertheless, there is persistent need of more timely, accurate, and integrated data.

4. We are fully aware that the lack of rigorous data on migration and remittances is one of the factors behind the limited policy evaluation.

5. Improving national statistical systems to measure migration has been a long-winding process, due to:
   ➔ challenges in data collection,
   ➔ lack of data integration and empirical research, and
   ➔ insufficient coordination.

6. We apprehend the need to enhance national capacity in migration data strategy, especially in integrating migration and corresponding SDGs indicators into legislation, policies and programs.

7. What could we do to improve data migration?

   ➜ Advancing migration governance, will eventually improve the evidence-based policy decisions related to migration and development;
   ➜ Enhancing data management through integrating multiple data sources to better measure migration-related incidents;
   ➜ Increasing formal and informal inter agency coordination mechanisms;
   ➜ Disseminating migration statistics to broader users, including policy makers and public users; and
   ➜ Constituting continuous migration data capacity building process.

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<u>On International Cooperation</u>

8. Indonesia believes that advancing global migration governance, including migration statistics, requires sustained international cooperation and commitment.

9. We have signed several MoUs and bilateral agreements, established collaboration with government agencies of other countries, and along with other initiatives, in order to strengthen international cooperation to prevent irregular migration.

10. New forms of cooperation could be developed with non-traditional actors, including grassroots organizations, diaspora populations and private sector partnership, that may serve as models for better integration of community involvement in supporting migration governance.

11. I would like to end my intervention by underlining that international collaboration on migration is indispensable and key to achieving safe, orderly, and regular migration for all.

12. Thank you, Chair

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