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**OPENING REMARKS
BY
MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING/
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(BAPPENAS)
REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA
AT
THE WORKSHOP ON
EVALUATION OF THE PARIS DECLARATION IMPLEMENTATION,
PHASE 2: EMERGING FINDINGS**

Nusa Dua, Bali, 07 Desember 2010

The Excellency Co-Chairs of the International Reference Group, Mr. Joakim Molander and Mr. Hannoeh Kumwenda,

The Excellency Mr. Niels Dabelstein, Chairman of the Secretariat of the Paris Declaration Evaluation,

Distinguished participants,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to first extend my warmest welcome and greetings to all participants of this workshop. I hope that with the hospitality of our people, especially the people of Bali, you could enjoy the atmosphere of Bali. In addition, on behalf of the government of Indonesia, I would like to express my special thanks to all of you attending this auspicious event regarding the International Reference Group for Evaluation of the Implementation of the Paris Declaration, Phase 2: Emerging Findings Workshop. My highest expectation is that this event will prove to be a significant forum for exchanging experience in finding ways for ensuring the quality of the report of the Joint Evaluation Phase 2.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I believe that, this good cooperation between the Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS) and the government of Indonesia, in this regard BAPPENAS (Ministry of National Development Planning), will facilitate the formulation, analysis, and synthesis of emerging findings of the Joint Evaluation Phase 2 which was already running a few months ago.

With regard to the implementation of the Joint Evaluation Phase 2, which is part of the process towards international cooperation in the development effectiveness, this process is very important in seeing how far the results can be achieved based on the Paris Declaration of 2005 and the Acra Agenda for Action of 2008.

As is known the meeting of the 2nd High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Paris, where more than 130 Ministers of Planning, Ministers of Finance, development partners, and bilateral and multilateral agencies attended, had agreed that Official Development Assistance (ODA) can be implemented more effectively and efficiently. The agreement set forth in documents of the Paris Declaration (PD), includes 5 pillars, namely: Ownership, Alignment, Harmonization, Managing for Result, and Mutual Accountability consisting of 12 indicators with specific targets to be achieved in 2010

The International Reference Group which consists of 42 countries along with 7 donors and partner multilateral institutions and international CSOs have a challenging task in facilitating the evaluation of the Paris Declaration implementation that will be articulated globally in the 4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Busan, South Korea 2011. The 4th HLF will represent a historic step in the aid effectiveness agenda. This event will be a vehicle for encouraging profound change in the approach donor agencies and partner countries had adopted, namely the change in the aid business model envisioned in the Paris Declaration. The 4th HLF will also represent a significant step forward and presents donors and partners with a series of new concrete measures to accelerate endeavors towards the agreed development goals. We must make sure that we meet our commitments under the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness by 2010 and significantly deepen our engagements on some crucial fronts.

Distinguished participants, ladies and gentlemen,

With regard to the task, we hope that this important meeting will be more proactive and progressive in realizing greater cooperation in aid effectiveness. I believe that the discussions will yield lessons learned and best practices disseminated. This is to realize the idea of greater cooperation in meeting the targets set at the previous meeting.

The future of the cooperation among countries in development will depend on the continuous commitment of development partners and partner countries in implementing the Paris Declaration principles into our operation strategies. The government of Indonesia will continue to support the aid effectiveness program by adopting the Paris Declaration pillars into the national development policies and strategy towards development effectiveness. The government of Indonesia has also mainstreamed the ODA in all phases of development, as specified in the Long-Term Development Plan of 2005-2025, the National Medium-Term Development Plans of 2004-2009 and the National Medium-Term Development Plan of 2010-2014, as well as the respective Annual Work Plans and the State Budget documents.

After the 3rd HLF on Aid Effectiveness in Accra, Ghana in 2008, it has become evident the way developing countries and donors work together on the ground were making progress, but even better results could still be attained. Beginning in 2009, Indonesia had prepared a roadmap to strengthen our aid effectiveness agenda. The roadmap will respond to the above challenges, and support Indonesia's efforts to maximise the effectiveness of its aid in supporting development. This roadmap defines the policy direction towards development effectiveness up to 2014 and beyond, which includes priority actions that will be taken in the short term, by 2010, to move forward on the implementation of the Paris Declaration based on the results of the 3rd Paris Declaration Monitoring Survey and the 1st Joint Evaluation of the Implementation of the Paris Declaration, in 2008. The principle of ownership implies that the policy direction will be in line with the national development strategies. We also recognize the importance of addressing gender issues in our development activities and aid effectiveness process. This roadmap sets out the strategic vision that we, along with our development partners, wish to commit. The agenda is based on the Paris Declaration principles and the Accra Agenda for Action commitments and develops a model for delivering development effectiveness for middle income nations. This agenda is stipulated in the **JAKARTA COMMITMENT: Aid for Development Effectiveness, Indonesia's Road Map to 2014.**

We encourage other partner countries to join in our efforts to strengthen the implementation of the Paris Declaration in their national development strategies. Wider participation and various resources will have a synergy effect in enhancing relations among development partners and partner countries, to make a better world.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Finally, on behalf of the government of Indonesia, I would like to take this opportunity to express our high appreciation to all of IRG members for the support that partner countries have received so far in the context of the implementation of the Paris Declaration principles. I would like also to thank the DIIS for playing an important role in coordinating this event. I would like to wish you a fruitful deliberation during these

three days workshop and wish you a pleasant and productive discussion for a better cooperation among countries in the world.

For Mr. Joakim Molander, Mr. Hannoeh Kumwenda, and Mr. Niels Dabelstein, I am confident that under your able guidance, our meeting will succeed in achieving the objectives we have set together for ourselves.

Last but not least, I also hope you can enjoy a memorable stay in this island of Bali, one of the most attractive tourist destinations in the world. I am honored to declare this workshop opened. Thank you.

Nusa Dua, Bali, 07 November 2010

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