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AGENDA ITEM 4: Terms of Reference for the Preparation of CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's and Girls' Empowerment in the Context of Food Security and Nutrition

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Thank you, Mr. Chairperson,

- Indonesia would like to thank the CFS Chairperson for presenting the update of rolling section for CFS Multi Year Programme of Work (MYPoW) for 2020–2023. We welcome the proposed document in order to make mutual benefit for all member countries.
- Indonesia notes the draft Terms of Reference of **CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's and Girls' Empowerment in the Context of Food Security and Nutrition**. We appreciate the work of both Co-Chairs, in their inclusive approach in formulating the draft TOR.
- We underline the importance of the subsequent discussion on the Guidelines that will focus on possible ways and means so that women and girls can contribute optimally to our common efforts in eradicating hunger and malnutrition. We believe that a lot of experiences can be gathered in this regard. Therefore, we view that the content of the Voluntary Guidelines should find commonalities and avoid using terminologies that are still considered controversial and do not enjoy intergovernmental consensus in other fora.
- Furthermore, in our national context, the Indonesian government has put forward gender equality as one of the main priorities in the current National Medium-Term Development Plan. This aims to improve the quality of life and the roles of women in the implementation of development programmes.
- Through the Sustainable Food Reserve Garden Programme, for example, we have empowered women and youth to utilize their home yards to produce healthy local food for household's consumption and generate additional household's income from excess production.
- Finally, Indonesia also highlights the importance continuing an inclusive consultation process, by taking into account the national contexts and capacities, in the future deliberation in the OEWG. We stand ready to actively contribute to the OEWG.

I thank you.