

**STATEMENT BY  
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**Thank you, Mr. Chair, for giving us the floor again.**

Combating new and emerging forms of crimes is a very challenging task for all of us. They keep evolving in terms of types and methods, in parallel with the phenomena of globalization and the development of technology. They always seek even the slightest opportunity they can grasp and take advantage from it.

We must stay alert.

Addressing these challenges will require much stronger cooperation among Member States, based on the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. In this light, Indonesia wishes to echo other delegations by conveying that

- The Convention has provided a **comprehensive legal framework**
- which is very much **relevant and applicable**
- to **address those new and emerging crimes** that we face today.

Article 20 of the Convention encourages the appropriate use of special investigative techniques such as electronic or other forms of surveillance and undercover operations by competent authorities for the purpose of effectively combating organized crime.

We fully understand the jurisdictional and regulatory complexities of special investigative techniques. Despite the challenges, we believe that by our adherence to the Convention as well as the goodwill to cooperate with other concerned countries, we can collectively overcome this problem.

**Mr. Chair,**

The need and urgency with which one sets up methods for intensified international cooperation, can not be done at the expense of respect for human rights. These notions should not be seen as mutually exclusive, but should be pursued at the same time.

Our delegation believes that every participating country in this Meeting has common concerns and would eagerly work together to address this issue.

Our delegation believes that it is indeed our outmost interest to create

- **secure and safe international conditions** and
- **regulations** on the use of special investigative techniques.

In this context, Indonesia supports any initiative to explore possibilities of establishing international cooperation on special investigative techniques.

It is our hope that such deliberation would create a platform for a better international response to achieve balance between the protection of individual rights and the interests of the community at large.

**Mr. Chair,**

Our delegation is of the view that forums under the Convention would be the most suitable for us

- to **make deliberations** in order to strengthen our effort
- in **addressing the jurisdictional and regulatory complexities** of special investigative techniques.

Rest assured, Mr. President, that Indonesia will maintain its solid commitment to be actively engaged in this endeavour under the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.