Honorable Colleagues,
Ladies and Gentlemen.

Assalamu’alaikum Warrahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

I noted that these two days has been very exciting, for that I would like to thank all of you for your active contribution in this workshop.

I apologize and regret, due to the tight schedule of budgeting deliberation in the House of Indonesia Representative, I cannot join every session in our agenda.

I believe, from the discussions we are all now aware, how coordination and collaboration are important to ensure the effectiveness of the SDGs implementation.

In this regard, we agree that parliament has a pivotal role in this whole process. The capacity building for parliamentarians thus very much needed to maximize our constitutional functions. More importantly, we should integrate and cohesively form a shared vision in implementing SDGs.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Allow me; once again, express my sincerest gratitude and the highest appreciation to Mr. Abdihamid Mao from Islamic Development Bank (IsDB). Without contribution from IsDB, there is no way this very important handbook for parliamentarians can be available.

I also would like to mention the United Nation Development Program (UNDP) and Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD), our focal points, and partners in organising this Regional workshop.
And finally, I thank the Indonesia Committee for Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation, which provided enormous assistance and support in organizing and implementing this event.

_E Excellencies, ladies, and gentlemen_

Although this two-day workshop is not a quick fix formula to complete our goals, however, I am confident that our meeting is a remarkable step to strengthen our commitment and coordination towards sustainable development goals.

This workshop is just the beginning. As you engage with each other throughout this event, I hope you will identify opportunities to build more and richer partnerships with fellow parliamentarians and all participants here.

Another important message that I would like to highlight is that we need to follow up this workshop by bringing more actions to come in our respective parliament.

Thank you again for participating.

I look forward to seeing you again in our future collaboration.

_Wassalamu’alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh._

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