Statement of Intervention

INDONESIA

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Agenda Item 3: FORUM ON UPTAKE OF THE CFS VOLUNTARY GUIDELINES ON FOOD SYSTEMS AND NUTRITION (VGFSyN)

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson,

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 1. First of all, I would like to thank all panelists for their excellent interventions and valuable contribution for this session.
- 2. We also appreciate the CFS' effort for conducting this important session to build common understanding on the implementation of CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition.
- 3. For Indonesia, to end hunger and malnutrition in all its forms and to promote sustainable agriculture is our national top priority.
- 4. The Voluntary Guidelines have reinforced Indonesian legal frameworks on food security and nutrition that have been established to improve national food systems, including the Food Law, the Government Regulation on National Mid-term Development Plan, and National Strategic and Action Plan on Food Security and Nutrition.
- 5. In this context, Indonesia has implemented efforts to improve our national food systems, including: (1) advancing and sustaining our domestic food availability; (2) promoting local food systems and healthy diets; (3) increasing stability of food access; (4) strengthening efficiency of food logistics; and (5) improving quality of food safety net program with nutritious and biofortified/fortified foods.
- Considering the significant potential benefit of this Voluntary Guideline, we recommend CFS Secretariat as well as the UN Rome-based Agencies and other development partners to actively disseminate, use and further collaborate in supporting member states and others to achieve sustainable and resilient food systems.

- 7. In this light, we commend the FAO Digital Platform on the CFS VGs on Food Systems and Nutrition with its recommendations for action, which has just launched in this session.
- 8. We also recommend CFS to develop a platform in facilitating member states and all stakeholders to share experiences and lessons learned from using the Voluntary Guidelines, and to assess its relevance, effectiveness, and impact.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.