

JOINT STATEMENT

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

AND THE PRIME MINISTER OF DENMARK

Bogor, 28 November 2017

Today's summit meeting on the occasion of the official visit to Indonesia by the Prime Minister of Denmark marked an important milestone in the development of the bilateral relations between Indonesia and Denmark. President Joko Widodo and Prime Minister Lars Løkke Rasmussen agreed to further strengthen the already close bilateral partnership and witnessed the signing of an ambitious Plan of Action for the implementation of the partnership in 2017-2020 leading towards a stronger Partnership. The strengthened partnership will advance political cooperation, respect of shared values of democracy, pluralism, and human rights, boost economic relations and increase cooperation on addressing global challenges and opportunities such as climate change, green growth and sustainable development.

Indonesia and Denmark are important economic partners. The two leaders recognized the strong prospect to further expand trade and investments given the complementary nature of the two countries' economies. Both countries rely on free trade and continue their commitment to reduce trade and investment barriers. The two leaders welcomed the progress of the ongoing negotiations for a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) between Indonesia and the European Union, which should pave the way for deeper and wider economic engagement between the two sides.

Indonesia and Denmark are close partners in addressing global challenges on environment, marine debris, energy and climate change. Through the long lasting Danish Environmental Support Programme, Indonesia and Denmark have formed the basis for a comprehensive partnership in the environment and energy sectors. Adding to the existing Strategic Sector Cooperation on energy, the exchange of document today of an agreement on a new Strategic Sector

Cooperation on circular economy and solid waste management illustrated the shared commitment to addressing some of the common global challenges on the path towards green growth and sustainable development.

The two leaders recognised the importance of Public-Private-Partnerships in attaining the SDGs and pursuing green growth. Indonesia and Denmark will continue dialogue on the Global Green Growth agenda bilaterally and multilaterally, among other, Indonesia will constructively engage with the Partnering for Green Growth and the Global Goals (P4G) initiative, which was launched during the last session of UNGA and with a planned summit in Copenhagen, 28-29 November 2018.

Both sides agreed on the importance of ensuring an ambitious implementation of the Paris Agreement with focus on increasing the level of climate action ambition over time.

Promoting tolerance through interfaith dialogue and cooperation is key for Indonesia and Denmark. The two leaders seek to enhance mutual respect and understanding among people through increased people-to-people engagements and cultural exchange.

President Joko Widodo and Prime Minister Løkke Rasmussen acknowledged the need for a peaceful and secure East Asia, including denuclearization on the Korean Peninsula.

Both countries are committed to continue cooperation in the fight against terrorism and radicalism as well as in the security field, both bilaterally and in the international sphere.

As proud maritime nations, the two leaders recognized each other's maritime visions and emphasised their continued commitment to maritime security, including promoting freedom of navigation and peaceful resolution of disputes in accordance with international law.

Denmark welcomes Indonesia's leadership in addressing the Rohingya crisis. Both countries are committed to work towards a peaceful solution to the crisis and will continue to contribute to international initiatives working to this end.

Prime Minister Løkke Rasmussen congratulated Indonesia on ASEAN's 50th anniversary and reaffirmed Denmark's support to ASEAN's unity and centrality in various ASEAN-led mechanisms and in the evolving regional architecture. Indonesia welcomed Denmark's interest and continued support to ASEAN, bilaterally and through the European Union.

The two leaders reaffirmed their commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights and underlined the importance of cooperation in strengthening the promotion and protection of human rights in various multilateral fora, such as the United Nations.

The meeting today demonstrated the two leaders' ambitions to bring Indonesia and Denmark as even closer partners. Prime Minister Løkke Rasmussen thanked President Joko Widodo for the invitation and warm hospitality during his stay in Indonesia and expressed his desire to meet him again in the near future.

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