Speech

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Assalamu’alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakaatuh

Excellency, President of the Republic of Indonesia, Mr. Joko Widodo
President of Interpol
General Secretary of Interpol
Distinguished Guests Ladies and Gentlemen
Interpol Executive Committee members
Police Commissioners, Head of Delegations, Head of National Central Bureaus (NCB)
And Interpol member countries Delegates
Ladies and Gentlemen,

With the Grace of the Almighty God Allah SWT, at the outset, allow me to extend my warmest welcome to all of you to Bali – Indonesia, the Paradise Island with its own cultural identity, on the 85th ICPO-Interpol General Assembly year 2016.

I am confident that attending the 85th ICPO-Interpol General Assembly is more exciting in Bali, since you will have good impression; a unique blending of people with the language, social life, economic, culture, and religion. So please you enjoy it.

It is the greatest honour for me to stand here, on the opening ceremony of the 85th ICPO-Interpol General Assembly to deliver a short remark. On this auspicious occasion I would like to extend my appreciation to the committee who has been working hard and successfully preparing and facilitating this important meeting.
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Allow me also to express how grateful I am for being able among honourable delegates in this timely General Assembly. I understand that we will be discussing in the coming days in this strategic moment based on the theme “Setting A Global Roadmap for International Policing” to respond on the community demand in terms of global issues namely Counter Terrorism, Organised and Emerging Crime, and Cyber Crime.

Indonesian National Police has been actively cooperating and collaborating with international law enforcement agencies to combat the crime I mention above. One of the agencies is ICPO-Interpol. Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation on behalf of Indonesian National Police for the good cooperation we have had with INTERPOL over the years. Indonesia is an active and engaged member of INTERPOL. We have been sharing and working together in organizing number of strategic events, such as capacity building, conferences, sharing information, and handling transnational organized crimes.

Ladies and Gentlemen,
With regard to Counter Terrorism, we recognize that terrorism has no boundaries and is transnational in nature. For instance, there are at least thousands of people indicated to have joint ISIS in Iraq and Syria, countries that are thousand miles away from our own region. This influx is a result and its supporters. This is certainly beyond our imagination. Radicalisation and violent extremism has also become a common threat including for us in the global community.

On this opportunity, please allow me to share Indonesia’s views on the efforts in fighting against terrorism and other types of transnational crimes through intelligence sharing as a key in combating them.

We have formulated a strategy to overcome terrorism with the focus on prevention. Certainly, it will involve various stakeholders, including the government and non-government agencies. The strategy will have a framework built around preventing radical ideology from spreading in Indonesia. We would also focus on rehabilitation and de-radicalization, targeting convicted terrorists now serving their prison terms, as well as those who have been released.
The basic philosophy of the Indonesian deradicalisation model is that the government has an overall responsibility to preventing relatives of radical inmates to become alienated and bitter, since such situation could generate feelings of hatred towards the government and increase the number of potential sympathisers. I would like to underline that:

It is crucial, from a more long-term perspective, to support law enforcement institution that demonstrate successful programmes for de-radicalisation.

Furthermore, more initiatives should be promoted to create a bank of ideas for various successful tools, de-radicalisation strategies; rehabilitation and correctional treatment for radical individuals; and to establish the factors of success that underlie various social strategies that aims to involve families, friends and employers in the actual rehabilitation process.

Ladies and Gentlemen,
In terms of Organized and Emerging Crimes such as terrorism, money laundering, human trafficking, illicit drugs trafficking, and corruption, I am of the opinion that we would be able to fight against those crimes by collaborating with partner agencies; implementing innovative strategies to prevent, mitigate or disrupt identified facilitators of organised crime groups; through existing policy and engagement mechanisms, and with professional industry bodies to develop prevention and mitigation strategies, and capacity building to reduce the impact of organised crime on community.

We could also apply coercive powers to proactively target the criminal enabling networks and methodologies of organised crime groups and identify emerging threats and issues, and developing intelligence, and contribute toward prevention, mitigation, policy and law enforcement decision making.

Regarding with the cybercrime, which is a never ending crimes, there are some challenges we face to handle them proactively. Those challenges are geography, anonymity, and flexibility. The offenders of cybercrime located in overseas countries and using different languages and time-zones. Moreover, there are barriers faced by the law enforcement officers in sharing information intelligence amongst countries. We also need to deal with of mutual assistance and extradition.
Nowadays, perpetrators anonymously and quickly conducting illegal transaction. While the police face difficulty in linking offender with computer user.

Since this type of crime is transnational in nature, Indonesia emphasizes the urgent need to increase close cooperation amongst ICPO-Interpol member countries in addressing cyber crime, including through building partnership with both government agencies and private sectors.
INTERPOL is a very important partner in this multi-faceted fight, as it is the only organization which gives our international investigations outreached effectively. Therefore, one of our efforts in strengthening our communication is we need to more enhance utilizing the information channel 24/7 for rapid responses.

Ladies and Gentlemen,
To conclude my remarks, I would like to encourage all delegates to use this opportunity to share in openness spirit our intelligence information and experience, in order to strengthening the international policing.

We wish what we would like to do during the General Assembly will produce a beneficial outcomes for all member countries.

I thank you.
Wassalaamualakum wr.wb.

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