

SPEECH OF H. E. JOKO WIDODO

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Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakaatuh,
Good afternoon, may peace be upon us,
President of Interpol,
Secretary General of Interpol,
Chief of the Indonesian National Police,
Respected Guests,
Interpol Executive Committee members,
Police Commissioners, Head of Delegations, Head of National Central Bureaus (NCB),
and Interpol member countries Delegates,
Distinguished Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Praise be to God Almighty, Allah SWT, for that we are able to be here for the 85th ICPO-Interpol General Assembly.

Allow me to express my sincere appreciation for selecting Indonesia as the host of this General Assembly, and I would like to welcome you all to the island of the gods – Bali, Indonesia.

It is with great honor for me to stand here, to deliver Indonesia's perspective on this year's ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, with the theme of "Setting the Goals Strengthening the Foundations: A Global Roadmap for International Policing".



2000 delegates from 190 countries all over the world participate in this General Assembly, which will emphasize on the discussion of global programs, namely: Counter Terrorism, Organized and Emerging Crime, and Cyber Crime.

Ladies and Gentlemen.

We gather here today is not only to witness an annual ceremonial event. We are here because ICPO-Interpol General Assembly is a forum to realize global interests related to our shared responsibility in protecting and securing global community. So that we could ensure that all resolutions which we have agreed upon are implemented effectively. ICPO-Interpol gives mandate to all its' member countries with responsibilities that should not be taken lightly in responding to the ever-accelerating global challenges.

In relation to counter terrorism which is an extraordinary crime, as a part of ICPO-Interpol member country, we need to improve our cooperation that emphasize more on intelligence information. Since without the same and accurate information between all member countries, disclosing terrorism network nationally, regionally and internationally would be an even greater challenge.

On this ground, allow me to express my sincere gratefulness to all countries which have shared their knowledge, experiences and their modern technology in assisting Indonesia to detect terrorism networks. The Indonesian National Police has received recognition from various countries in the world for its success in countering terrorism, even though not every single act of terrorism, radicalism and extremism are yet to be tackled.

The development of information and communication technology, including easy access to the internet has accelerated propaganda of radicalism ideology and violent extremism. In the past, terrorists had abused internet for communicating amongst themselves and also as a means to create bombs and explosives targeting certain vital objects. Currently, however, the abuse is not only limited to communication but also to spread false ideology, including propaganda and to spread the doctrine of radicalism and extremism. Indonesia is also not immune to this abuse and misuse of internet where



ISIS take charge with their propaganda. The abuse of internet in Indonesia by terrorists and terrorist groups is still relatively high, although Indonesia have successfully detained more than 900 terrorists.

Other important element that we can learn is the necessity of future cooperation between member countries affected by ISIS movement. Exchange of intelligence information and international judicial cooperation, such as evidence collection and witness testimony are important elements in prosecuting ISIS groups, since the nature of their movement does not recognize boundaries. It also applies to countries affected by radical and extreme views which are borderless in nature. Exchange of intelligence information and regional/international judicial cooperation is a must.

In our efforts to uncover terrorist networks, as I have early mentioned, it is our priority to combat terrorism by improving the capacity of international law enforcement officers. Through professional law enforcement officers, we can play a significant role in contributing towards world peace and security. It is important for us to find new methods in facing these ever-changing challenges. Therefore, in this very strategic moment, I sincerely invite the ICPO-Interpol countries to utilize the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation (JCLEC) in Semarang-Indonesia. It is an International training centre jointly operated by the Indonesian National Police and the Australian Federal Police which focused and committed in improving the capacity of law enforcement officers in countering terrorism and other types of transnational crimes.

Distinguished delegates,

In relation to *Organized and Emerging Crimes*, we understand those are crimes orchestrated in different parts of the world, not limited to only one particular country's boundary or international community collectivity. Crimes such as drugs trafficking, human trafficking, gambling, illegal firearms trafficking, terrorism acts, corruption, banking crimes, money laundering, environmental crimes, and various types of crimes; they require large capital and indicate abuse of power in different levels.



For the last 100 years, cooperation between law enforcement officers especially the international police have been continually strengthened which means the role of Interpol in coordinating the world's police is more significant than before. However, we must not be easily satisfied, as acts of crimes no longer recognize boundaries and they develop significantly while police technology and equipments are still fairly limited (in certain countries).

The National Central Bureaus (NCB) has become the vein of Interpol. NCB Interpol as representative of Interpol member countries are contact points for all Interpol's field activities, connecting the national police with global networks of 190 member countries. NCB's roles include daily cooperation in cross-border investigation, operation and arrest, including sharing of various police information. Interpol also enables direct contact between police and other experts in the form of operational meetings, working groups and conferences, where they can discuss general issues and share their expertise, similar to what we are having today.

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Information and communication technology is developing rapidly. This also triggers the development of cybercrimes namely online gambling, check fraud, credit card fraud, confidence fraud, identity theft, child pornography and many other.

Cybercrime is not only about entering a computer network system illegally; but also entering data or information into the internet falsely, unethically, and violating the law or disrupting public order; using the internet network to spy on other party by entering their computer network system.

This crime is also committed by creating disturbance, as well as destruction of data, computer program, and computer network system connected to the internet.

Therefore it is high time for us to combat cybercrimes with more intensity, because cybercrime eradication requires global action through capacity building of the law enforcement in preventing, investigating, and prosecuting cases related to cyber crimes; improving the awareness of global community on the danger of cybercrime and the



importance of preventing it; developing cooperation between countries, bilaterally, regionally and multilaterally in the efforts to counter cybercrimes, through extradition and mutual assistance treaties.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

On this opportunity I also would like to highlight that as an emerging transnational crimes in the world, the issue of Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing remains relatively unaddressed. The current practices of IUU Fishing require the criteria constituting transnational crimes as stipulated in the provisions of UNTOC. Considering that IUU Fishing is transnational in nature; therefore we need to establish a better instrument to make our efforts more effective.

As the largest archipelagic country in the world, and also as the international shaft maritime, Indonesia naturally and logically has to be in the forefront in addressing the issue of IUU Fishing. Indonesia observes that IUU Fishing is a cross-cutting issue, closely related with other crimes, such as people smuggling, human trafficking, force labor, drug trafficking, and violation against sanitary and environmental protection regulation. In this regards, Indonesia is of the view that IUU Fishing should be dealt with comprehensive and holistic approach with emphasize on the law enforcement and security aspects. Thus, Indonesia welcomes closer cooperation amongst ICPO-Interpol member countries in years ahead to deal with this issue.

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Today's meeting re-emphasizes the vision of the world's leaders who founded Interpol from the first International Criminal Police Congress, which is to bring together police and law enforcement officers in countering ever-changing criminal threats.

It echoes the mandate stipulated in the *United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime* (UNTOC) through the United Nations Resolution Number 55/25 of 2000 as the legal instrument in countering organized transnational crimes.



More than that good cooperation between law enforcement officers all around the world hopefully will be able to develop and maintain security stability in the respective countries and region, which will be able to support the development of economy in an ever-developing and borderless world.

To conclude my speech, I would like to highlight that Interpol cooperation is expected to significantly support world order and peace, prosperity and justice; ensure the public security; in line with this Assembly's theme "Setting the Goals Strengthening the Foundations: A Global Roadmap for International Policing". As such, with the blessings of God Almighty, it gives me great pleasure, to state that this General Assembly is officially open.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Wassalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

Jakarta, November 2016

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA,

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JOKO WIDODO