Ms. Krisnamurthi (Indonesia): First of all, I would like to thank you, Madam President, for your leadership to sustain commitment on this issue.

Indonesia aligns itself with the statement made by the representative of Turkey on behalf of the group made up of Mexico, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Turkey and Australia.

We also express our deep appreciation to all the briefers for their comprehensive insights on this agenda item.

Resolution 1325 (2000) underlines the significance of women’s role in our efforts to achieve peace. We have heard the countless stories of many women and girls who showed courage and determination in working against all odds to ensure that peace prevails. It would be unfortunate if their bravery and vision went unrealized. The international community has given its continuous support to the implementation of resolution 1325 (2000). Nevertheless, women remain largely objects of exploitation in conflict, not to mention the fact that the complex challenges that women face in conflict and preventing conflict are compounded by social and economic inequalities, as well as environmental degradation. Those challenges certainly undermine the spirit of resolution 1325 (2000). It also means that we are still a long way from realizing a just, peaceful and prosperous world. I would like to take this opportunity to share some of Indonesia’s thoughts and experiences.

First, with regard to fostering an environment for peace and stability, solutions should focus on building institutions that encourage the habit of dialogue, consensus, inclusivity, respect, integrity, the peaceful settlement of disputes and non-use of force. Only by uniting our energy — women and men, boys and girls — can we strengthen our efforts for common causes. At the same time, it is also significant to acknowledge and foster the crucial role of women and families in the prevention of conflicts that may lead to radicalism and extremism.

Secondly, we must develop an ecosystem that stimulates prosperity. Member States adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in 2015, which is a comprehensive and integrated blueprint to synergize development with peace, enabling women to participate in peacebuilding through the economy.

Thirdly, we must foster cooperation to develop and strengthen the ecosystem for peace, stability and prosperity. To that end, it is important that we have a strong global institution, namely, the United Nations, along with peacebuilding and peacekeeping mechanisms, which should continuously be strengthened.

Indonesia stands ready to mediate conflicts and to contribute to peacekeeping and peacebuilding. Currently we have nearly 3,000 troops on the ground in nine peacekeeping missions. By 2019, we aim to have 4,000 troops, with an increased number of female peacekeepers.
As part of our commitment to advancing the 2030 Agenda, Indonesia has also been sharing our best practices and experiences in empowering women in leadership through South-South and triangular cooperation. More than 2,000 participants from least developed and developing countries have benefited from the programme. At the same time, we continue to underscore the importance of meeting the international commitments under the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda Sustainable Development Goals.

To conclude, I would like to reconfirm our commitment to working with all Member States as a true partner for world peace, a partner in advancing strong institutions, linking peace and development as well as strengthening cooperation as vital elements that we believe will deter the forces that devalue human life, including the lives of women.