

**Mata Acara 18 : Dark and Quiet Skies**

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Indonesia appreciates the Secretariat for holding this session in these difficult Pandemic conditions. Indonesia believes that this session would promptly and constructively discuss regarding the use of outer space issues.

Indonesia would like to focus on ensuring that this Committee is beneficial, favorable, and inclusive, with the aim to create sufficient international cooperation on the issues of space for peaceful uses.

Allow me to inform you, Indonesia organizes annual "National Space Day" (Hari Keantariksaan National) to promote the importance of the darkness of the sky. The promotion and campaign of dark sky are conducted with collaboration with academic community, as well as the local government, including Nusa Tenggara Timur Province.

Indonesia supports the global effort to preserve dark and quiet skies as a single issue/item for discussion at the present session.

Timau National Observatory, currently stewarded by LAPAN-BRIN, is a representative of our contribution to the above mentioned global effort, by encouraging the development of the science, ensuring its benefit for society and the conservation of the nature, as well as the attainment of SDGs.

Thank you.