Mr. Chair, distinguished delegates,

Indonesia noted that space-based technology has a benefit, particularly to address global health issues including the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic that has been happening during the last three years. Space-based technology has been used for the COVID-19 monitoring system and for the One Indonesia Data for COVID-19 Vaccination Application. Indonesia continues developed and implemented telemedicine in broad health sectors.

Indonesia has developed a telehealth application called PeduliLindungi for tracking to stop the spread of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) accompanied by telemedicine and teleconsultation links. Indonesia also utilizes the space technology satellite to develop information system for Health Crisis Prevention by integrating a remote sensing application to build mitigation and disaster preparedness system.

Indonesia welcomes the agenda item Space and Global Health as regular agenda of STSC UNCOPUOS from 2023 onwards and the establishment of the Space and Global Health Platform and the Space and Global Health Network. Indonesia also welcomes and supports the adoption of the report of Working Group on space and global health, and resolution A/RES/77/120 on Space and Global Health.

In accordance with the report of the Working Group on Space and Global Health as mentioned in the document A/AC.105/C.1/121, Indonesia through its Ministry of Health has increased its coordination in pursuing global health. The Ministry of Health has Health Development Policy Agency with a mandate to create the formulation and provision of health development policy recommendations. Health Development Policy Agency has Center for Health Efforts Policy with a mandate to analyze, formulate, and evaluate policy in health effort, and Center for Global Health Policy and Health Technology with a mandate to analyze, formulate, and evaluate global health policy and health technology policy.

Indonesia views space-based technology and applications have proven its capability to help the world survive from the global health crisis, so called Covid-19 pandemic. In this regard, Indonesia encourages to promote international collaboration on space and global health.

Thank you