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The Honourable Mr. Joko Widodo President Republic of Indonesia.

Dear Honourable President Widodo,

Good day and warm greetings from the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). Today, I received a report from the Perkumpulan Keluarga Berencana Indonesian (PKBI), IPPF's distinguished Member Association in Indonesia, that they are being evicted from their National Headquarters in South Jakarta by the current Jakarta Governor.

I am writing to you, Mr. Honourable President, to confirm that PKBI or IPPA is a Member Association of IPPF since 1970 and that we have supported them and worked together with them on various health issues faced by Indonesian citizens, especially in fulfilling the sexual and reproductive health and family planning needs of your people. In recent years, PKBI had delivered services in times of humanitarian emergencies such as the recent earthquakes and floodings in various provinces of Indonesia.

PKBI or the Indonesian Planned Parenthood Association (IPPA) has been operating since 1957 and was instrumental in the formation of the Badan Kependudukan dan Keluarga Berencana Nasional (BKKBN).

PKBI is an implementing partner of various government institutions and UN agencies, such as WHO, UNFPA, UNICEF, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Law and Human Rights, the Ministry of Social Affairs, the Ministry of Empowerment of Women and Children, and Bappenas.

The founder of PKBI, Dr. Soeharto, was declared a national hero by your current administration early this year.

On behalf of IPPF, we appeal to your kindness Mr. President, to immediately stop the eviction of PKBI and respectfully request to review the decision to evict PKBI from the land it has occupied since 1970. PKBI has contributed to the health and development of the Indonesian people and they need your support, Mr. President, so that they can continue to fulfil their mission of serving your people.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration.

In solidarity,

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Director General, International Planned Parenthood Federation

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