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Bismillahirrahmanirrahim.

Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

Peace for us all.

Om Swastiastu.

His Majesty, the heads of state and head of government of ASEAN member countries.

Excellency, Dr. Surin Pitsuwan, Secretary General of ASEAN,

Gentlemen, the Head of State Institutions and the ministers of ASEAN member countries,

Gentlemen, Permanent Representative and Ambassador to ASEAN,

Gentlemen, the Civil Governor of Bali, I Made Mangku Pastika,

The delegates and participants from all whom I respect,

On behalf of the Government and people of Indonesia, I would like to welcome, to the Head of State and Government, which came from ASEAN member countries. The presence of all His Majesty will further strengthen cooperation in Southeast Asia, which is currently moving towards an ASEAN Community by 2015.

On this occasion, I personally, as well as in the capacity as Chair of ASEAN, would like to express concern and a sense of deep sorrow, for the floods that hit several ASEAN member countries. This sad accident which has caused huge losses of property, and even swallow hundreds of victims. Assistance and outreach that we have given to the victim, is none other than fellow ASEAN solidarity.

Next, I want to thank you and appreciation, for full support and cooperation from all ASEAN member countries to Indonesia during aging. Successful implementation of

the 18th ASEAN Summit in Jakarta, and just as the success of the SEA Games 2011 in Palembang and Jakarta, is thanks to the support given them.

With support like that we have produced many achievements, since it was organized by the 18th ASEAN Summit in Jakarta in May. I believe that similar support will be provided in organizing the 19th summit in Bali.

The island of Bali has a special historical significance for ASEAN cooperation, because it is here reached an important agreement, which became the basis for the development of ASEAN cooperation. In 1976, having been born the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation (TAC), which is known as the Bali Concord I. The document set the pattern of behavior among member countries, in particular not to use violence and promote peaceful means. The spirit of the TAC has been well received by many non-ASEAN countries, and until recently, as many as 29 countries have become States Parties to the TAC.

In 2003, Britain again made history with the birth of the Bali Concord II. Through the Bali Concord II, ASEAN countries agreed to build a community that is based on three pillars: political and security pillar, pillars of economic, social and cultural rights. We rejoice that the post-Bali Concord II, ASEAN then agreed on the ASEAN Charter, which established the rules-based ASEAN as an organization.

ASEAN summit this time, God willing, will give birth to the Bali Concord III, which will map the way forward, for the ASEAN community interaction with the global community of nations. It is actually in line with the tradition of ASEAN cooperation during this time, which is always open to the outside world, such as the ASEAN dialogue partners through the mechanism of his speech, and strategic forums such as ARF. The spirit of Bali Concord III, participation and contribution towards the realization of ASEAN's growing in the world, a more peaceful, more just, more democratic and more prosperous, including the role of ASEAN to participate actively address the fundamental problems of today.



His Majesty,

Ladies and gentlemen,

We gathered at the world when faced with change processes, which have broad impact on human life. In the Middle East and North Africa, the social system and political transformation through the Arab Spring continues. Meanwhile, the world is faced with the threat of a new global economic crisis, because the financial turmoil in the eurozone. We both follow, that the problem of financial crisis on the agenda of the G20 summit in Cannes discussion, and the APEC summit in Honolulu recently. Meanwhile, in addition to the new uncertainties that haunt the world economy, fundamental issues and challenges still facing us, such as food security, energy and water, climate change, natural disasters, as well as the impact of information technology revolution on the lives of our society.

In the midst of "transition" is, a lot of hope in a pile in our region. History has proven that ASEAN is increasingly becoming a test and association, and mature, able to create stability and security of the region, capable of increasing economic strength, and capable of being a community that increasingly "people-centered" and also able to establish the identity of harmony between the diverse civilizations. With the capital and this position, I believe ASEAN is able to contribute in response to the global dynamics. This is in line with the theme of aging into Indonesia in ASEAN this year: "ASEAN Community in the Global Community of the Nation". Which means, ASEAN to play a bigger role in world affairs: to reach the world.

Departing from this theme, I want to highlight five key points which will be discussed in a series of activities for the 19th ASEAN Summit and related summits. First, we need to make concrete steps to strengthen the three pillars of the ASEAN Community. We must ensure the achievement of the Plan of Action on the three pillars deep, balanced and complement each other before 2015.

Development of an ASEAN Community should continue to involve all stakeholders in the region. ASEAN must become a community of people-oriented, people-centered and people-driven. Reduction of the meaning of the ASEAN community by making

this as a government affairs associate member countries only, or only focus on economic cooperation, although important, is wrong.

Secondly, we need to strengthen economic growth in the region.

Through this growth, our region will be more resistant (resistant), against the global economic volatility. In addition, these barriers will enable us to become part of the solution, over the financial and economic crisis the world today. We will also be able to contribute to global economic growth is strong, and able to create a more balanced global economy (more balanced global economy).

I am glad that ASEAN has a roadmap to sustain growth rates, among others, by building connectivity (connectivity) between countries and between regions. We must ensure the realization of the ASEAN Connectivity Master Plan. Similarly, in the national framework, Indonesia is also building connectivity through MP3EI, to boost domestic economic growth and to build opportunities for investment, trade and job creation.

With an increasingly effective connectedness, then trade and investment between countries will increase. Obviously, we are together is economic growth inclusive and sustainable. We provide a fair opportunity for all our citizens to benefit from regional economic integration.

Third, we need to take a leading role in managing the architecture of regional cooperation more efficient and effective.

ASEAN must be able to maintain the centrality and leadership, partners interact with speeches, and participation in intra-ASEAN regional forum.

Cooperation with ASEAN partners we have developed through the mechanism Plus, the ASEAN Plus Three One ASEAN, ASEAN Plus Defence Ministerial Meeting and ASEAN Regional Forum, as well as other mechanisms.

Meanwhile, in the formation of regional architecture through the framework of the East Asia Summit, we need to identify general principles: which guide the relationship throughout the EAS participating countries. Through the principles of peace and friendly relations are no longer confined to Southeast Asia, but also for the



countries major players in East Asia. We formed the East Asia Summit will not cause a schism, but to promote unity and togetherness.

Fourth, we need to maintain stability and security in Southeast Asia and East Asia.

ASEAN should continue to act proactively facilitate and engage in solving various "residual problems", which has become the limiting factor of the acceleration of ASEAN cooperation. In aging to Indonesia, ASEAN dialogue facilitating a peaceful border problems between Cambodia and Thailand. Going forward, we must continue to enhance ASEAN's capacity and ability in conflict resolution.

We should be pleased that ASEAN is also able to build a comfort zone for many countries, to dialogue about complex issues. As an illustration, on the sidelines of the ARF meeting in July, have been ongoing talks between the two brother countries, North Korea and South Korea.

In addition, the Guidelines for Implementation of the Declaration of Conduct of Parties in the agreement of the South China Sea between ASEAN and the PRC, has been growing optimism in seeing the problem in the South China Sea.

Our efforts to achieve peace and stability in the region is more advanced, with the nuclear weapon states against the state revenue the same framework Nuclear Weapons Free Zone South East Asia (SEANWFZ [; Shon-fez]). We must take advantage of the excellent momentum to implement the Protocol signing SEANWFZ [; Shon-cap] as soon as possible.

Fifth, by performing the four steps that I mentioned earlier at the same time, we will strengthen ASEAN's role globally.

In a world of increasingly complex and intertwined, ASEAN must become true leaders in the various challenges that arise. ASEAN should not only be a passive spectator, who are prone to be victims of a problem in other parts of the world.

We hope that the Bali Declaration on the ASEAN Community in a Global Community of Nations, will become operational guidelines and our common ground (common platform), in order to increase the contribution of ASEAN in the handling of global issues.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

That's the agenda and main goals in the series in 2011 ASEAN Summit in Bali, Indonesia.

Finally, while begging the blessing of God Almighty, Almighty God, that the 19th ASEAN Summit and related summits I argued with the official start.

Thank you.

Wassalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

Om Santhi, Santhi, Santhi Om.

Nusa Dua Bali, 17 November 2011

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