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Excellencies, Ambassadors, and Representatives of international organizations,

My most esteemed seniors of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

Distinguished members of the press, distinguished guests, and distinguished colleagues from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

Ladies and gentlemen,

Assalamu 'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

Good morning and peace be upon us.

Praise be to Allah Almighty, for by His Grace we are blessed with good health so that we can continue to serve our beloved country.

On this auspicious occasion, allow me, on behalf of all officials and staff members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Indonesia's Representative Offices abroad, and on my own behalf, to extend to all of you our best wishes for a Happy New Year 2013.

Distinguished guests,

On a similar occasion last year, I underscored that in the midst of growing uncertainties and complexity of the global and regional situation, Indonesia would remain steadfast in pursuing global peace and prosperity.

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That was what Indonesia's diplomacy and foreign policy undertook throughout 2012.

