Indonesia to Host Sixth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption

**Ottawa, Canada** – The Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC) is proud to announce that Indonesia will host the sixth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, in Jakarta, Indonesia in 2015.

"Corruption is a blight on governments, economies and societies the world over and the only way to combat it is through a strong global collective," said Ricardo Garcia Cervantes, Chair of GOPAC. "With the support of Indonesia's House of Representatives and GOPAC Indonesia, our sixth Global Conference will nurture the collective and bring together the leaders needed to further strengthen the fight against corruption."

The Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption welcomes legislators, and representatives from governments and non-governmental organizations, civil society and academia under the shared goal to strengthen the fight against corruption and promote improved transparency and accountability in governments around the world. It is a biennial conference held in countries with strong GOPAC national chapters. The Philippines, Mexico, Kuwait, Tanzania, and Canada have hosted the conference in the past. The Philippines conference in 2013 was the largest gathering of parliamentarians dedicated to the fight against corruption.

"Indonesia looks forward to welcoming delegates in Jakarta next year at the sixth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption where parliamentarians will re-affirm their commitment to fighting corruption," said Dr Pramono Anung Wibowo, Chair of GOPAC Indonesia. "The role of GOPAC as a forum for parliamentarians around the world to share best practices and to formulate parliamentary strategies in combating corruption shall be strengthened."

GOPAC Indonesia was founded in 2012. It is part of the GOPAC's regional chapter, Southeast Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption which also includes Timor-Leste, Philippines and Malaysia.

GOPAC is a worldwide alliance of parliamentarians working together to combat corruption, strengthen good government, and uphold the rule of law. Based in Ottawa, Canada, GOPAC has 50 national chapters on 5 continents. GOPAC supports its members’ efforts through original research, global anti-corruption capacity building, and international peer support.

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