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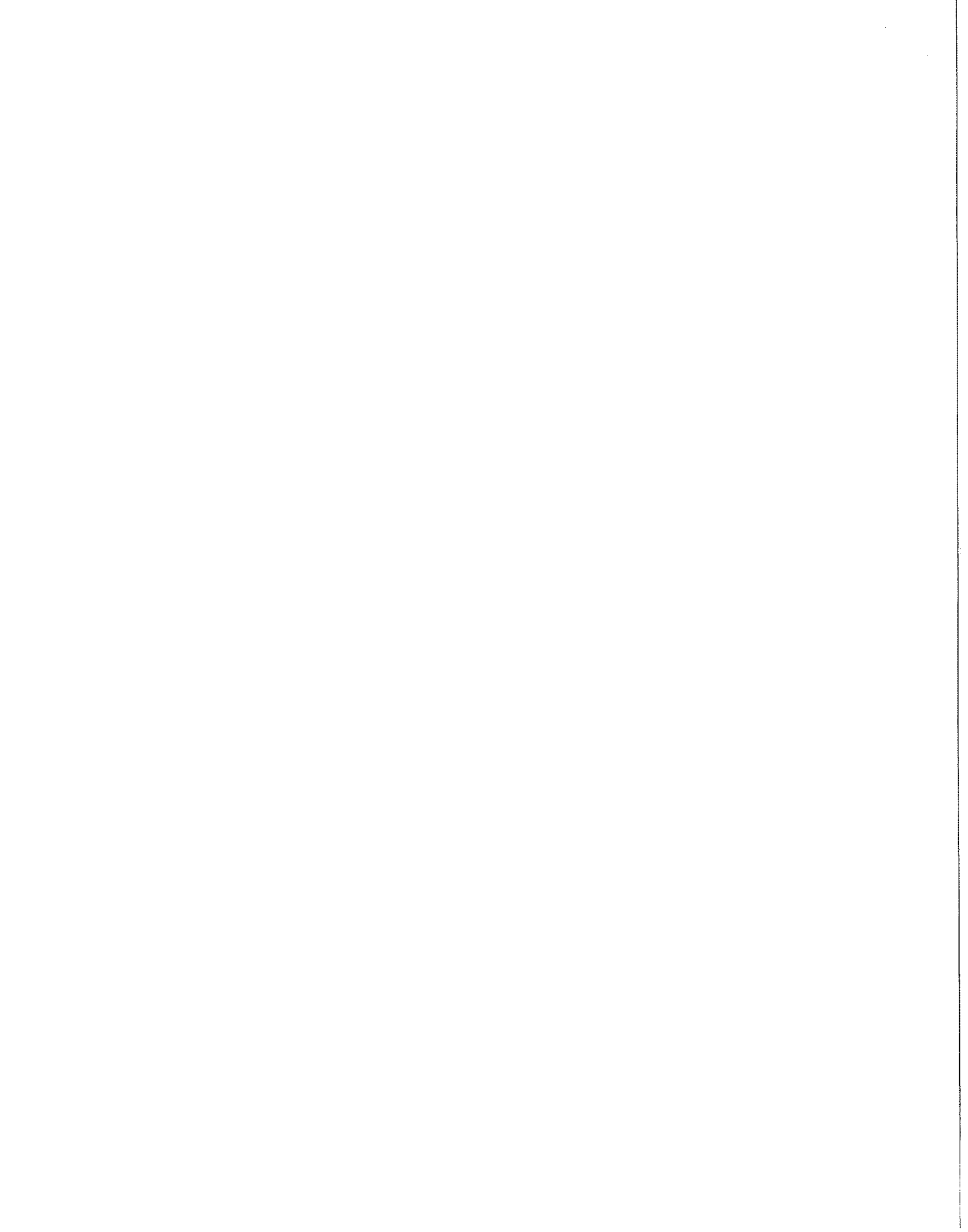
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Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, my delegation wishes to congratulate you and the other members of the Bureau for the excellent work you have done in leading this committee. With your able and dedicated leadership, we are confident that we will achieve positive results during the 32nd Session of the Committee.

My delegation also takes this opportunity to express its gratitude to the Under-Secretary General for Communication and Public Information, Mr. Kiyotaka Akasaka, for his comprehensive presentation delivered yesterday on the current and future work of the DPI. We also note with pleasure the constructive interaction between DPI and the members of the Committee on International

Indonesia associates itself with the statement made by the distinguished Representative of Indonesia on the subject of strategic communication services to Indonesia.

of the UNSG on the activities of the DPI in relation to strategic communication services. The breadth and depth of the coverage of the DPI, as well as the internal structural arrangements that make its success possible.

Indonesia reiterates its appreciation of the work by the DPI. In an increasingly globalized world, the department does to the whole world, often in real time, and creates a positive image of the Organization. There is no doubt that the department has successfully fulfilled its role as the public voice of the Organization during the past year.

We appreciate Mr. Akasaka for his outstanding performance as the head of the DPI. We extend to him our best wishes for even greater success in delivering the mandate of the department. We also thank all staff of the department for their dedicated efforts towards the objective of reaching out to the public, raising awareness and mobilizing the public around the Organization's priority issues.

While we have commended the success of the DPI and the UN Organization, we encourage them to use their expertise, resources and their long reach to help enhance and deepen international cooperation in the domain of media.

Perhaps more than any other institution, the DPI understands that the mass media can be the messenger either of peace and tolerance, or of misunderstanding and hatred. With the diversity and potency of the tools at its disposal today, the DPI can play a vital role in various regions, and eradicate the practice of stereotyping in the media.

We would also like to take this opportunity to call on the DPI to continue the implementation of its media program on the Palestinian issue. It is essential to continue to raise international awareness on the Question of Palestine with a view to supporting

Palestinian People and UN Public Forum in Support of the Palestinian People, in June 2009 in Jakarta.

As a troop-contributing country, Indonesia recognizes the vital nature of information dissemination in United Nations peacekeeping. Indonesia is pleased at the

work of UN peacekeepers. We may believe that this continued coordination and media channels and opportunities as possible, including the use of new and social media

information as possible about the United Nations, it is necessary to have the UN message spread out in as many languages as possible. The publication of United Nations information materials and the translation of important documents in non-official

United Nations message everywhere is particularly welcome.

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work of UNIC Jakarta is of tremendous interest to us. The UNIC Jakarta continues to

welcome Mr. Michele Zaccheo as the new Director of the United Nations Information Centre (UNIC) in Jakarta. We are confident that he will be an effective leader of the Information Centre in furthering public understanding about the work of the United Nations throughout Indonesia. We look forward to our continued cooperation with the

entre and to supporting it to achieve the wider objectives of the United Nations.

Finally, let me reiterate our commitment to continue to support for the activities of