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FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT: REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS  
AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

Italy:\* draft resolution

Follow-up to the International Conference on Population  
and Development

The Commission on Population and Development,

Bearing in mind the results of the International Conference on Population and Development and the adoption of its Programme of Action, 1/ taking into account General Assembly resolution 49/128 of 19 December 1994, on the report of the International Conference on Population and Development, and General Assembly resolution 50/124 of 20 December 1995 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/55 of 28 July 1995, on the implementation of the Programme of Action,

Having reviewed at its twenty-ninth session, within its area of competence, follow-up actions to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development,

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\* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union.

1/ Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5-13 September 1994 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.XIII.18), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

Recalling its terms of reference and multi-year work programme,

Having reviewed and considered the documents submitted at its twenty-ninth session,

1. Underlines the need for all the reports prepared as part of its multi-year work programme to be based on comprehensive and authoritative information and for the content of those reports to be widely disseminated in accordance with the terms of reference of the Commission;

2. Requests that the newly constituted ACC Task Force on Basic Social Services make appropriate arrangements to ensure coordination, collaboration and harmonization in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and continue to report thereon to the Commission;

3. Requests that a revised version of the report on activities of the non-governmental sector in the area of reproductive rights and reproductive health be presented to the Commission at its thirty-first session, in 1998, based on a more comprehensive survey of the sector and a clearer explanation of the selection criteria and categorization of the organizations consulted;

4. Requests improved annual reporting on financial flows, based on consistent criteria, relating to the costed elements of the Programme of Action, including a clear account of levels and trends of funding by source (bilateral, multilateral, private, domestic allocations etc.), and correcting omissions from the report presented to the current session;

5. Encourages the widest possible dissemination of reports by the United Nations system on progress in implementing the Programme of Action and welcomes the intention of the United Nations Population Fund to report on this matter in its annual publication State of the World's Population;

6. Proposes that, in addition to their special coverage in the World Population Monitoring reports, main demographic trends be covered biennially, starting in 1997, in a complementary report prepared by the Population Division of the Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis, to be discussed under the agenda item concerning the work programme of the Population Division;

7. Welcomes the encouraging evidence of actions by Governments, international organizations, and the non-governmental sector in response to the challenges of the Programme of Action relating to reproductive rights and reproductive health, and stresses the need for such action to be accelerated and widened;

8. Requests the ACC Task Force on Basic Social Services to coordinate the development of appropriate indicators so that progress in addressing reproductive health needs can be assessed on a more authoritative basis;

9. Requests that evidence of further progress in achieving the goals of the Programme of Action be communicated to the Commission on an annual basis through selected publications and documentation from the United Nations Secretariat, including the Population Division, other United Nations bodies, including the United Nations Population Fund, and specialized agencies.

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