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Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Population and Development, Antonio Golini (Italy), on the basis of informal consultations

Population, gender and development

The Commission on Population and Development,

Reaffirming the commitment of Member States to the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,¹

Recalling the recommendations of the Programme of Action and reaffirming the key actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action relating to gender equality, equity and the empowerment of women,

Recalling also that the theme for the thirty-third session of the Commission on Population and Development was population, gender and development,

Noting the fundamental importance of gender dimensions for all aspects of demographic change and development of a society,

Noting also the significance of policies and programmes affecting gender relations,

Recognizing the need to eliminate all discrimination and abuse against women and children, including sexual abuse, exploitation, trafficking and violence, and exposure, especially of young women, to high risks of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) infection,

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.

1. *Requests* the Population Division of the United Nations Secretariat to continue to incorporate gender perspectives in all its research on population policies, levels and trends, including, *inter alia*, the analysis of demographic, social and economic data disaggregated by age and sex, so that Governments may benefit by achieving a better understanding of the relationships between population, gender and development in the global context and through intercountry comparisons;

2. *Also requests* the Population Division, in conducting these analyses, to pay particular attention to the gender dynamics and demographic implications of the human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) pandemic, infant, child and maternal mortality, and ageing of populations, and to improving the statistical description and analysis of the phenomena of all forms of discrimination and abuse against women and children, including sexual abuse, exploitation, trafficking and violence, as well as to the gender dimensions of migration.
