

Explanation of Position (EOP) by Guyana on the adoption of the Outcome Document or the 49th Session of the Commission on Population and Development

Madam Chair,

My delegation takes this opportunity to congratulate the co-facilitators for their excellent stewardship of the negotiations. We also wish to commend the efforts of the Chair to foster consensus on this outcome document.

Madam Chair,

My delegation remains concerned about the formulation of OP13 in which the term 'early' marriage is reflected. Guyana's position is well known on this matter. My delegation wishes to recall that our position was placed on record during the 60th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women. In this regard, we wish to reiterate our position during this 49th Session of the Commission on Population and Development and ask that this statement be reflected in the records of this meeting.

I thank you.