

STATEMENT BY PAKISTAN AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THE CPD
RESOLUTION ON FERTILITY, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Thank you Mr. Chairman,

We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation both to you and our distinguished facilitator Mr. Christophe for the patience and hard work in arriving to the consensus adoption of the resolution. We also want to put on record our appreciation to every single delegate who had been present and facilitating this consensus adoption. It indeed was a great learning experience.

I would like to acknowledge the fact here that it was a complex process where we had to make difficult compromises but I believe that we all did it for a good purpose.

The one element that brokered the deal is the universally recognized and established principle of sovereignty and respect for religious and cultural values. I think that everyone here in this hall needs to be congratulated for upholding this fundamental norm and principle, which provides us the required space within our diverse socio-political systems to effectively implement this resolution with maximum acceptability while achieving the results that the resolution aims for. We sincerely hope this constructive spirit of accommodation would flow from this hall to other rooms of this august body.

I thank you.