Closing Statement by Mr. Zane Dangor, leader of the South African Delegation to the 44th Session of the Commission on Population and Development

Mr. Chairman, the South African Delegation would like to extend its appreciation to the Vice-Chairman from Belgium for the excellent job, which he did as facilitator.

South Africa's participation in the 44th Session of the Commission on Population and Development is guided by the facts on the ground in respect of the need to save the lives of women and children in our country and social development for all. We are also guided by our national Constitution / Bill of Rights that protects people in respect of race, sex, religion, origin and sexual orientation.

The South African Delegation appreciates all for engaging in ways that seeks to stop discrimination of all kinds, especially through UN processes such as these.