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Statement of Belgium, on behalf of like-minded: Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Finland, France, Iceland, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and Sweden, in closing 45th session CPD

Mr. Chair,

- 1. This week we made important progress for ICPD to the benefit of the adolescents and youth in all regions and countries.
- 2. Today's resolution illustrates how broad the international support for the ICPD as key agreement interlinking development and human rights really is. Also, it shows the relevance of the ICPD and its recognition of sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights for today's world.
- 3. This resolution acknowledges and specifies these rights for adolescents and young people.
- 4. The active involvement and participation of youth representatives and the many opportunities to share country experiences have also contributed to a successful CPD 2012.
- 5. The like-minded group underlines our continued and strong determination to work toward the full implementation of the full Programme of Action and the key actions for its further implementation.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.