

Resolution 2001/1
Population, environment and development*

The Commission on Population and Development,

Reaffirming the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,¹ in particular those recommendations relating to population, environment and development,

Reaffirming also the key actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development relating to population, environment and development,²

* For the discussion, see chap. II.

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.

² General Assembly resolution S-21/2, annex, sect. II.A.

Bearing in mind the relevant objectives on population, environment and development of the United Nations Millennium Declaration,³

Bearing in mind also the relevant recommendations on population, environment and development of the World Summit for Social Development⁴ and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly,⁵

Recalling that the theme for the thirty-fourth session of the Commission on Population and Development was population, environment and development,

Welcoming the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), to be held in 2001, and in this context emphasizing the importance of the twin goals of the Habitat Agenda:⁶ adequate shelter for all and sustainable human settlements development in an urbanizing world,

Bearing in mind the relevant recommendations on population, environment and development in Agenda 21,⁷ as well as in the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21,⁸

Noting that the World Summit on Sustainable Development will be held in 2002 for the ten-year review of progress achieved in the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development,⁹

Noting also the critical linkages among population, environment and development,

1. *Requests* the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat to continue its research, in close cooperation with all relevant offices of the Secretariat, and with all relevant bodies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, on the linkages among population, consumption and production, the environment and natural resources, and human health, giving particular attention to levels, trends and differentials of mortality, fertility, distribution and mobility, and the role of population and development policies, as well as mainstreaming of a gender perspective;

2. *Also requests* the Population Division to work in close cooperation with all relevant offices of the Secretariat and other relevant bodies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system to contribute its research findings to the preparatory processes for the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), the World Summit on Sustainable Development and other relevant intergovernmental meetings and conferences;

³ See General Assembly resolution 55/2.

⁴ See *Report of the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, 6-12 March 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.8), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

⁵ See General Assembly resolution S-24/2, annex.

⁶ *Report of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), Istanbul, 3-14 June 1996* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.97.IV.6), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

⁷ See *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992*, vol. I, *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex II.

⁸ See General Assembly resolution S-19/2, annex, sect. III.

⁹ See General Assembly resolution 55/199, paras. 1 and 2.

3. *Requests* that the findings from this and related research on population, environment and development should contribute to the next review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,¹ scheduled for 2004;

4. *Encourages* the Population Division, in close cooperation with all relevant offices of the United Nations Secretariat, and with all relevant bodies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, to disseminate widely the results of its research, as a contribution to greater understanding and awareness of the interrelationships among population, environment and development.