Report on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 49/128 of 19 December 1994, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to prepare periodic reports for the substantive sessions of the Economic and Social Council on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the implementation of the Programme of Action and to promote the exchange of information on the requirements for international assistance among the members of the donor community,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council decision 2017/259 of 7 July 2017, in which the Council requested the United Nations Population Fund, in consultation with the Secretariat, to provide, in the context of the report on the flow of financial resources to be submitted to the Commission at its fifty-first session in 2018, information on a potential revision of the methods, categories and data sources used as the basis for preparing this report, with technical recommendations on, inter a lia, the future scope, format and periodicity of the report, and decided that the Commission should review the technical recommendations at its fifty-first session,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,¹

Decides:

- (a) That future reports on the flow of financial resources shall be based on official development assistance, tracking resource allocations by all donors, as recorded in the creditor reporting system of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development;
- (b) That the resource tracking exercise shall be expanded, where feasible, beyond the four costed components contained in the Programme of Action to include additional topics bearing directly on the Programme of Action, including health, empowerment of women and education, and the specific focus on the special theme of the annual session of the Commission on Population and Development;
- (c) That the report shall continue to be produced on an annual basis and shall include, every fourth year beginning with the fifty-second session in 2019, an update on the status of emerging and potential new data sources, including sources of information about non-official development assistance expenditures.

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¹ E/CN.9/2018/4.