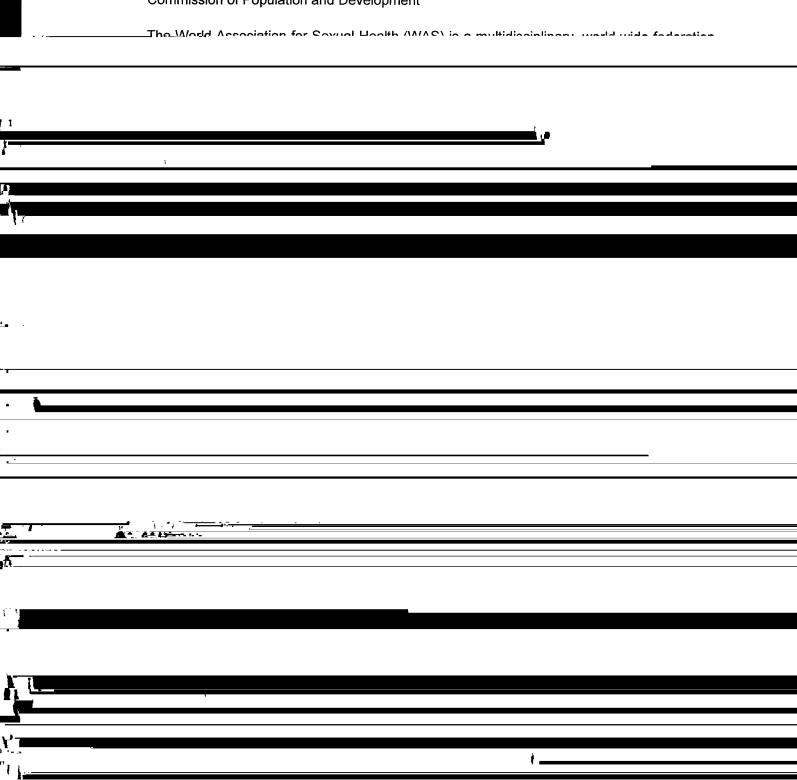
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Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen,

Many thanks for allowing us to speak in this crucial session of the United Nations Commission of Population and Development



WAS recognizes that persons' sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and bodily diversities require human rights protection and that all types of violence, harassment, discrimination. exclusion, and stigmatization are violations of human rights, and