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at the
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Programme of Action of the International Conference on
Population and Development beyond 2014
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**Mr. Chairman,
Distinguished Ministers,
Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen.**

It is a great honor for me to address, on behalf of Kazakhstan, the General Assembly on the follow up to the Programme of Action of the historic International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) beyond 2014. Twenty years ago, back in 1994, Kazakhstan, together with 178 other countries, endorsed the ICPD Programme of Action (PoA). We are also at the most significant juncture in UN's history, when following the 15-year successful trajectory of the Millennium Development Goals, we are now about to reach the

