

KENYA STATEMENT PRESENTED BY

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Chairperson

Distinguished Delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Kenya has made great strides in achieving the 1994 ICPD goals, however as we draw to the end of those twenty years, we realize that there is still much more to be done.

Chairperson

Like most developing countries, Kenya has a youthful population. According to the last population census in 2009, 63

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Since the '1994 Cairo meeting, Kenya has taken major steps to implement the ICPD Program of Action. The most notable of these is the development of the National Population Policy 2012. This policy won the Aspen Resolve Award from the Global Leaders Council for Reproductive Health and is hailed as a model for other developing countries. The policy aims at raising the national contraceptive prevalence to 70 percent by 2030, reducing the Total Fertility Rate from 4.6 in 2009 to 3 in 2030, raising life expectancy and lowering child and maternal mortalities.

Other achievements between 1979 and 2009 include; reduction of Kenya's population growth rate from a peak of 3.9 percent per annum to 2.9 251 0.286 rg[p)-5(er)-MC 7 Tm0.243 0.251 0.286 rBDC

Chairperson,

In conclusion, I reiterate that Kenya supports an extension of the 1994 ICPD program of action and as always, the UN and the international community can count on Kenya, as a partner in implementing ICPD beyond 2014. Together we will succeed.

Thank you for listening to me.