STATEMENT

by the delegation of Turkmenistan at the Special session of the General Assembly on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014

(New York, 22 September 2014)

Esteemed Mr. President, Dear Delegates,

First of all, on behalf of the President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov I would like to express our gratitude to the UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon and Under Secretary General Babatunde Osotimehin for the invitation to take part in the work of the Special Session of the General Assembly in connection with the follow-up to the International Conference on Population and Development for the post-2014 period.

Convening of the present Special session is a clear testimony of the growing importance of population issues in our time. It should be specially emphasized that our forum is taking place during the year when we mark the 20-th anniversary since the adoption of the Programme of Action that was approved in 1994 at the International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo. Today we have

a chance to review its implementation and once again to affirm the effectiveness of this large-scale Programme in the context of the implementation of its goals and objectives by all members states of the United Nations.

We have passed the decisive stage in the implementation of the

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	purpose-oriented; it should also be based on the compatibility
	reen specific requirements of individual states and regions and

For example, since 1992 our Government and UN Population Fund have implemented a whole range of joint activities. Such coordinated actions were based on programmes developed at the national level and bi-lateral documents signed with UNFPA which reflected specific measures and actions aimed at the implementation of long-term strategies in the sphere of population. Thus, considerable success has been achieved in improving the standards of living of the

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