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in particular sustained and inclusive economic growth
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The Commission on Population and Development,

PP1. *Reaffirming* the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development¹ and the key actions for its further implementation,² the declaration on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development,³ and previous resolutions of the Commission on Population and Development, (CPD 2021/1 pp1 verbatim) **Agreed ad ref**

PP2. *Recalling* the outcomes of relevant United Nations high-level meetings, conferences and summits in the economic, social, environmental and related field, the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action,⁴ and the Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development and the Programme of Action of the World Summit for Social Development, (based on CPD 2021/1 pp2) **Agreed ad ref**

PP3. *Reaffirming* General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, in which it adopted a comprehensive, far-reaching and people-centred set of universal and transformative Sustainable Development Goals and targets, its commitment to working tirelessly for the full implementation of the Agenda by 2030 ensuring that no one is left behind, its recognition that eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development, its commitment to achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions – economic, social and environmental – in a balanced and integrated manner, and to building upon the achievements of the Millennium Development Goals and seeking to address their unfinished business, (CPD 2021/1 pp3 verbatim) **Agreed ad ref**

PP4. *Reaffirming also* the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change⁵ **and the Paris Agreement adopted under the Convention and the relevant decisions of the UNFCCC COP, including the Glasgow Climate Pact**, the New Urban Agenda and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030, the Political Declaration on the High Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage, as well as major outcome documents in relation to countries in special situations, (based on A/Res/70/1, paras. 5, 21, 55, and 74(a), based on 76/202 pp10) (EGY)

PP5. *Recalling* the Universal Declaration of Human Rights⁶ and the obligations of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,⁷ the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,⁸ the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women,⁹ the Convention on the Rights of the Child,¹⁰ the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,¹¹ the

¹ See *Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5-13 September 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.XIII.18).

² See General Assembly resolution S-21/2, annex; *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Special Supplement No. 3 (A/S-21/5/Rev.1)*; and A/S-21/PV.9.

³ E/2019/25- E/CN.9/2019/L.3

⁴ *Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 4-15 September 1995* (United Nations publication, No. E.96.IV.13), chap. I, resolution 1, annexes I and II.

⁵ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 1771, No. 30822.

⁶ General Assembly resolution 217 A (III).

⁷ See General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

⁸ See General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

⁹ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 1249, No. 20378.

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, vol. 1577, No. 27531.

¹¹ *Ibid.*, vol. 2515, No. 44910.

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,¹² and the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families,¹³ (CPD 2021/1 pp6 verbatim) **Agreed ad ref**

PP6. *Deeply concerned* that the COVID-19 pandemic, owing to its severe disruptions to [~~families, households and~~] societies, economies, employment and working conditions, quality education, health systems, global trade, supply chains and travel, and agricultural, industrial and commercial systems, as well as its significant impact on food prices and the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, is exacerbating vulnerabilities and inequalities and has a devastating impact on sustainable development and humanitarian needs, including on poverty eradication, livelihoods, ending hunger and all forms of malnutrition, decent work for all, human rights, gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls, eliminating all forms of violence, including sexual and gender-based violence, domestic violence, and violence in digital contexts, food security and nutrition, access to healthcare services, including sexual and reproductive health-care services, safe and affordable drinking water and adequate and equitable sanitation, including for menstrual health and hygiene management, environmentally sound chemical and waste management, especially for the poorest, most vulnerable and those furthest behind, in particular in developing countries, including countries in special situations and those facing specific challenges, which impose greater challenges and demand extra efforts to achieve all Sustainable Development Goals, including eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions by 2030, and achieving sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, (based on CPD 2021, pp20)

PP7. *Expressing concern* that climate change is already having disproportionate and adverse impacts on developing countries, local and marginalized communities and people in vulnerable situations, women and children, migrants and indigenous peoples, and their livelihoods,¹⁴ ultimately impacting hundreds of millions of people, and *reiterating* the urgent need for action to end practices that negatively affect the environment, build resilience and scale up the provision of climate finance, technology transfer and capacity building, especially for the poorest and those in vulnerable situations by investing in and providing long-term and predictable financing for early warning systems and prevention and preparedness programmes, including disaster risk reduction, especially in adaptation and mitigation strategies, and enhancing joint risk assessments and risk management strategies to reduce the impact and cost of natural disasters and address the adverse impacts of climate change on sustained and inclusive economic growth, including on all women and children, youth, older persons, persons with disabilities, migrants, people of African descent, indigenous peoples and local and rural communities, and to ensure rapid and effective response to the adverse impacts of climate change, as well as, disasters and related displacement appropriate to local and national needs, (based on CPD2021/1, pp9) **Agreed ad ref**

PP8. *Recalling* the political declaration of the high-level meeting on universal health coverage, which reaffirmed the right of every human being, without distinction of any kind, to the enjoyment of highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, and recognized that universal health coverage is fundamental for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals related not only to health and well-being, but also inter alia to eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, ensuring access to inclusive and equitable quality education, achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls, providing decent work and economic growth, reducing inequalities, ensuring just, peaceful and inclusive societies and to building and fostering partnerships, (based on CPD2021/1, pp10) **Agreed ad ref**

PP9. *Recognizing also* that full and productive employment and decent work for all without discrimination of any kind, accompanied by social protection, systems and measures for all, equal pay for work of equal value, ending child labour in all its forms and eradicating forced labour are among the key elements of sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth and ensuring an adequate standard of living and that facilitate the

¹² Ibid., vol. 660, No. 9464.

¹³ Ibid., vol. 2220, No. 39481.

¹⁴ Based on Goal 13 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Sustainable Development Goals, (based on 73/342 pp4) **Agreed ad ref**

PP10. *Recognizing* that women and girls **in different circumstances** [~~in diverse situations and conditions~~] play a vital role as agents of change [~~and~~] **for** development, acknowledging that achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls and the elimination of all forms of violence and discrimination against them are crucial to the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, (based on CPD 2021/1 pp21) and recognizing also that women and girls undertake a disproportionate share of unpaid care and domestic work and that women spend less time in paid work, and that this unequal distribution of unpaid care and domestic work contributes to greater time burdens on women throughout their lifecourse and substantially limits their participation in the social, political and economic spheres, and their economic empowerment and independence, (based on 74/235 pp22, first part and op60)

PP11. *Acknowledging* the importance of achieving sustainable patterns of consumption and production and that sustainable consumption and production practices, including through resource efficiency and sustainable economy policy approaches, can be cost-efficient and effective ways to achieve economic development, reduce environmental impacts and advance human well-being, (based on UNEP EA.5/HLS.1, MD, op16; 76/202, op7) **Agreed ad ref**

PP12. *Noting with great concern* that the global goal of eradicating poverty by 2030 is slipping from our reach and that the multidimensional impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the situation, pushing more than 100 million people into extreme poverty since its outbreak, reversing decades of progress and that more than 60 per cent of the world's employed population is still engaged in the informal economy, in which women are overrepresented, are often not protected by or able to exercise workers' rights, social protection and decent working conditions, and are at risk of abuse, harassment and exploitation, (based on E/CN.9/2022/3; E/CN.9/2022/2) **Agreed ad ref**

PP13. *Reaffirming* that eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge facing the world today, particularly in Africa, in least developed countries, in landlocked developing countries, in small island developing States and in some middle-income countries, as well as countries in [~~armed-~~]conflict and post-conflict situations, and reaffirming also the strong political commitment to address the challenge of financing and creating an enabling environment at all levels for sustainable development, (based on PP21 A/Res/76/218)

PP14. *Reaffirming* that international trade is an engine for inclusive economic growth and poverty reduction, and contributes to the promotion of sustainable development (based on para 68, A/RES/70/1, para 79, A/RES/69/313 and para 281, A/RES/66/288), and that national development efforts need to be supported by an enabling international economic environment, including coherent and mutually supporting world trade, monetary and financial systems, (based on para 9, A/RES/69/313) **Agreed ad ref**

PP15. *Emphasizing* that the role of entrepreneurship and micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises in social and economic development, including in driving inclusive economic growth, is more critical than ever in the post-COVID-19 recovery and beyond (based on pp17, A/RES/75/211), as well as stressing the need of ensuring the normal functioning of open markets and global supply chain connectivity, (based on op8, A/RES/76/190) **Agreed ad ref**

PP16. *Acknowledging* the need to combat illicit financial flows and strengthen good practices on assets return and recovery as one of the sources of financing for development with a view to promoting sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, (based on pp19, CPD2021 and SDG-8, A/RES/70/1) **Agreed ad ref**

PP17. *Reaffirming* the right to education and recognizing the role of inclusive and equitable quality education at all levels and lifelong learning for sustainable development and sustained and inclusive economic growth, including remote learning (based on 75/167 op14) and that despite progress towards universal primary

and secondary education worldwide, all schooling has been severely disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly affecting children, especially girls, and youth, and those who are in vulnerable situations, (based on SDG4; E/CN.9/2022/3 para 21, 41; CPD 2021, pp20; Article 26 of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights) **Agreed ad ref**

PP18. *Recognizing* that information and communications technologies present new opportunities and challenges and the pressing need to address the major impediments that developing countries face in accessing new technologies, stressing the need to address prevailing challenges to bridge the digital divides both between and within countries and between women and men, and between girls and boys, including but not limited to those based on age and disability, and to harness information and communications technologies for development, and recalling the need to emphasize quality of access to bridge digital and knowledge divides, using a multidimensional and inclusive approach that includes digital literacy education, speed, stability, affordability, language, training, capacity-building, local content, safety and accessibility for persons with disabilities, (based on 76/189, pp14) **Agreed ad ref**

PP19. *Emphasizing* that population issues are interlinked with sustainable development at the subnational, national, regional and global levels, and reiterating in this regard that the realization of a demographic dividend requires national policies and an international economic environment conducive to investment, decent work, sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic development and further integration and full participation of developing countries in the global economy, (based on CPD 2011/1, pp11; CPD2016/1, pp15) **Agreed ad ref**

PP20. *Recognizing* that adolescents and youth in all countries are key agents for change in the promotion of sustainable development, sustained and inclusive economic growth and technological innovation, and recognizing the need to increase the participation of youth in social change and giving youth access to equitable opportunities to contribute to social change, including resources for youth-led community initiatives, (based on CPD2012 pp8) **Agreed ad ref**

PP21. *Acknowledging* that the ageing of the population will continue to impact all aspects of society, including labour and financial markets, fiscal systems, the demand for goods and services, such as education, housing, health, long-term care, social protection, transport, information and communication, as well as intergenerational ties, and underlining the importance of multisectoral action to healthy ageing, and recognizing further the importance of ensuring equal opportunity for older persons to fully and effectively enjoy their human rights and fully develop their human potential, (based on A/RES/75/131, United Nations Decade of Healthy Ageing, pp12) **Agreed ad ref**

PP22. *Further recognizing* that health, including mental health, is a precondition for economic and social development, and *aware* that sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights are central to the realization of social justice and to the achievement of global, regional and national commitments for sustainable development, (based on CPD 2021/1, pp22) **Agreed ad ref**

PP23. *Expressing concern* that, in spite of the progress made towards achieving the full implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, considerable gaps still exist in its implementation, and in that regard *noting* the voluntary commitments by Member States to further the implementation of the Programme of Action and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and *encouraging* further actions by Member States for their implementation in the context of the Decade of Action and delivery for sustainable development, (CPD 2021/1, pp23 verbatim) **Agreed ad ref**

PP24. *Stressing* that reliable, timely, high-quality, accessible and disaggregated demographic data need to be a central focus of any effort to strengthen statistical systems for the review and follow-up to the International Conference on Population and Development and for reviewing progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals, and the importance of the collection, analysis and dissemination of high-quality, reliable and timely **statistics and** population data [~~and statistics~~] disaggregated by income, sex, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location and other characteristics[5] relevant in national contexts for policy

formulation by all countries, (based on CPD 2021/1, pp24) and *noting* in this regard the important contribution of population data in the upcoming assessment of the status of implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development scheduled to be held in 2024,

OP1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on population and sustainable development, in particular sustained and inclusive economic growth,¹⁵ and the report of the Secretary-General on programmes and interventions for the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development in the context of population and sustainable development, in particular sustained and inclusive economic growth;¹⁶ (based on CPD 2021/1, op1) **Agreed ad ref**

OP2. *Reaffirms* the sovereign right of each country to implement the recommendations of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development or other proposals in the present resolution, consistent with national laws and development priorities, with full respect for the various religious and ethical values and cultural backgrounds of its people, and in conformity with universally recognized international human rights; (CPD2021/1 op2 verbatim) **Agreed ad ref**

OP3. *Also reaffirms* the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions for its further implementation² and the outcomes of its reviews and notes the outcome documents of the regional review conferences, stressing that the outcome documents of the regional review conferences provide region-specific guidance on population and development for each region that adopted the particular outcome documents; (CPD 2021/1, op3 verbatim) **Agreed ad ref**

OP4. *Calls upon* Governments to take concrete measures towards the full and effective implementation of the Programme of Action and the key actions for its further implementation, as well as the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, which are integrally linked to global efforts to eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions, respect, protect and promote human rights, including the right to development, and fundamental freedoms, reduce inequalities within and among countries, and achieve sustainable development, and stresses that population dynamics are all important for development, including for achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development; (based on CPD 2021/1, op4) **Agreed ad ref**

OP5. *Also recognizes* that sustainable, inclusive, sustained and equitable economic growth, including sustainable industrialization, is essential for eradicating poverty and hunger, in particular in developing countries and for combating inequality within and among countries, and stresses that national efforts in this regard should be complemented by an enabling international environment and by ensuring greater coherence among macroeconomic and social policies at all levels; (based on A/Res76/218, op24) **Agreed ad ref**

OP6. *Recognizes* that unsustainable patterns of consumption and production are key drivers of natural resource depletion, climate change, biodiversity loss, pollution and malnutrition, and therefore recommits to making fundamental changes in the way that societies produce and consume goods and services (76/202 op9 first half), including through resource efficiency and sustainable economic policy approaches and promoting more resilient and sustainable lifestyles, including lifestyles in harmony with nature, and urges the international community to continue to support developing countries in strengthening their scientific and technological capacity to move towards more sustainable patterns of consumption and production; (based on 76/202 op12) **Agreed ad ref**

OP7. *Reaffirms* that intergenerational solidarity is a fundamental component for the achievement of an inclusive and just society for all ages, including youth and older persons, that solidarity is also a major prerequisite for social cohesion and a foundation of formal and informal welfare and care systems and that changing demographic, social and economic circumstances may require the adjustment of pension, social

¹⁵ E/CN.9/2021/2

¹⁶ E/CN.9/2022/3

security, health and long-term care systems including to ensure that they are gender- and age-**responsive[sensitive] and are guided by national demographic, socio-economic and developmental realities**, and in this respect encourages Member States to adopt effective means to reduce poverty and the intergenerational transfer of poverty through social protection measures, such as old-age pensions, cash transfers, housing assistance, child benefits and tax breaks; (based on E/RES/2013/27, op8; based on MIPAA, para 42)

OP8. *Emphasizes* the need to foster healthy ageing worldwide, in particular to change how we think, feel and act towards age and ageing, ensure that communities foster the abilities of older persons, promote health by implementing policy measures, including raising awareness about healthy lifestyles and health literacy and promoting occupational safety and health over the life course, deliver integrated care and primary health services responsive to older persons, and provide access to long-term care for older persons who need it; (based on United Nations Decade of Healthy Ageing, A/RES/75/131, pp7) **Agreed ad ref**

OP9. *Stresses* that full and productive employment and decent work for all is one of the key elements of sustainable development, and should be a priority of national policies and international cooperation and that Member States should enable conditions for sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, shared prosperity, full and productive employment and decent work for all, without discrimination of any kind, including equal pay for work of equal value, and promoting social dialogue accompanied by social protection, taking into account different levels of national development and policies; (based on 73/342 op2 and 3) **Agreed ad ref**

OP10. *Recognizes* that investments and innovation in the social sector, in particular in inclusive and quality education and health, contribute to the alleviation of poverty, reduction of inequalities, and the enjoyment of human rights and enhance human resource development, and encourages further efforts to scale up investments in these areas through quality education that is inclusive and equitable, and universal health coverage, among other things, (based on FFDO 2019,op9 first part) and, in this regard, takes note of the initiative by the Secretary-General to convene a summit on Transforming Education in September 2022, recalling that the special theme for the fifty-sixth session of the Commission on Population and Development shall be “Population, education and sustainable development”; **Agreed ad ref**

OP11. *Urges* Member States to mainstream a gender-responsive approach into all development **policies and strategies, as well as a gender perspective into all [and]** humanitarian efforts, recognizing that the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls is a common goal which is critical for achieving sustainable development and for efforts to combat hunger, poverty and disease (based on A/Res/75/284, para36), and to strengthen policies and programmes that seek to ensure and broaden the full, equal and meaningful participation and leadership of women in all spheres of political, economic, social and cultural life as equal actors, and to improve their access to all resources needed for their full exercise and enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms, ending all forms of discrimination and by removing persistent barriers, including by providing access to inclusive and equitable quality education, at all levels and lifelong learning opportunities, ensuring equal access to full and productive employment and decent work for all, and strengthening their economic empowerment and independence; (based on 76/137 op25)

OP12. *Urges* States to scale up efforts to accelerate the transition of women from informal employment to formal employment, including access to decent work, equal pay for work of equal value, improved wages, social protection policies and accessible, affordable and quality social services, including the provision of childcare support such as paid childcare leave, child allowance, nursery services provision, care services, childcare and maternity, paternity or parental leave, which will enable life work balance, and to take all appropriate measures to effectively value and recognize, reduce, remunerate and equitably redistribute unpaid care and domestic work predominately done by women and girls, including by challenging gender stereotypes and negative social norms, investing in a sustainable and resilient care economy, and taking steps to measure the value of this work in order to determine its contribution to the national economy; (based on 74/235, op11; based on CSW 66, Para jj) **Agreed ad ref**

OP13. *Urges* Governments and the international community to ensure that young people, on an equitable and universal basis, enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health by providing them with access to sustainable health and social services, without coercion or discrimination, to remove all types of barriers to the ability of adolescents and youth to protect their health, and also urges Governments to address the high rates of youth unemployment, underemployment, vulnerable employment, informal employment, and to provide education or training by developing and implementing targeted and integrated local and national youth employment policies for inclusive, sustainable, innovative and decent job creation, improved employability, skills development, mentorship programmes, increased technical and financial support and vocational education and training, and to actively support and invest in increased participation of young people and in youth-led and youth-focused organizations in the formulation, decisions about, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of, as appropriate, international, regional, national and local development strategies and policies that affect young people, which is critical to achieving inclusive, equitable and sustainable development for present and future generations; (based on CPD 2021/1, pp15, op11; 74/121 op19) **Agreed ad ref**

OP14. *Reaffirms* the commitment to reduce to less than 3 per cent the transaction costs of migrant remittances and also *reaffirms* the positive contributions of migrants to inclusive growth and sustainable development in their countries of origin, transit and destination and in the response and recovery to the COVID-19 pandemic and the importance of facilitating safe, orderly, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, and the importance of promoting safe and secure working environment for migrant workers (source 72/149, PP5), including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies, and recommits to cooperate internationally to ensure safe, orderly and regular migration involving full respect for human rights and the humane treatment of migrants regardless of migration status; (based on HLPF 2021 pp31) **Agreed ad ref**

OP15. *Recommits* to promoting a universal, rules-based, open, transparent, predictable, inclusive, non-discriminatory and equitable multilateral trading system under the World Trade Organization (based on OP.6, A/RES/76/190), which can play a critical role in stimulating economic growth and development worldwide (based on para 281, A/RES/66/288), thereby benefiting all countries at all stages of development as they advance towards sustainable development; (based on para 281, A/RES/66/288)

OP16. *Promotes* the role of micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises in sustainable and inclusive economic growth, as well as the importance of adequate skills development training for all, particularly for youth, persons with disabilities, older persons, women, indigenous peoples, local communities and entrepreneurs; (based on Res/76/195 pp 7) **Agreed ad ref**

OP17. *Recognize* the important role of rural communities in a context of sustained and inclusive economic growth, and encourage Member States, international organizations, the private sector and other partners to develop programmes to foster the creation of decent work in rural areas and increase the investment in agricultural and related off-farm activities; (based on op12 of A/Res/76/219) **Agreed ad ref**

OP18. *Recognizes* that information and communications technologies have the potential to provide new solutions to development challenges, particularly in the context of globalization and the COVID-19 pandemic, and can foster sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth and sustainable development, competitiveness, access to information and knowledge, trade and development, poverty eradication and social inclusion, accordingly reaffirms its commitment to bridging the digital divide, including the gender digital divide and calls upon Member States and other relevant stakeholders to implement policies and to accelerate their efforts to close the digital divide both between and within countries and to address the challenges associated with digital literacy, digital skills, training and awareness as a measure to attain social inclusion of all, with a focus on children, especially girls, youth, women, persons with disabilities, older persons, rural and remote communities, migrants and indigenous peoples, without any discrimination; (based on 76/136 op18) **Agreed ad ref**

OP19. *Encourages* Member States and other relevant stakeholders to accelerate the catalytic role that digital technologies, access to internet, connectivity and digital inclusion play in reducing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on life-long learning and quality education, health, communication, commerce and economic recovery and to ensure a path towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, while striving to address digital divides within and among countries and regions; (Based on Conclusions and Recommendations of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America of the ECLAC Paragraph 22) **Agreed ad ref**

OP20. *Stresses* the need to take action to prevent and eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence, including sexual and gender-based violence, including in the world of work, through the strengthening of institutional mechanisms and legal frameworks and their application, given that violence and **all forms of** discrimination, including multiple **or aggravated[and intersecting]** forms of discrimination against women and girls in private and public spaces, including in digital contexts, are a major impediment to the achievement of the empowerment of women and girls and their social and economic development and the enjoyment of their human rights, that no country has managed to eliminate, and encourages the adoption of specific preventive measures to protect all women and girls, youth, and children from violence, abuse and neglect, sexual abuse, exploitation, harassment, trafficking in persons, child labour, forced labour and harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation, taking into account the need to address negative social norms, structural barriers and gender stereotypes that affect women in the world of work and to develop and implement measures to promote the re-entry of victims and survivors of violence into the labour market; (based on 74/235, op16)

OP21. *Recognizes* that health and nutrition investments at all ages provide high returns for development, bring unique benefits for women's lifetime earnings, poverty eradication and the economic well-being of households and local communities, and calls upon Member States to ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, and to ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights; (based on E/CN.9/2022/3 paras 24-26, SDG5.6, CPD2021 op13) **Agreed ad ref**

OP22. *Emphasizes* that, in order to realize and capitalize on demographic dividend, it is essential to increase and sustain investment in measures to empower women, girls and youth and to provide a enabling environment for the full realization of their human rights and capabilities (based on A/RES/74/121 PP9), especially inclusive and equitable quality education for girls, maternal, newborn and child health and nutrition, and to meet the unmet needs of women for family planning, as well as investment in vocational training, employment support and job creation, and that a well-trained and healthy workforce together with appropriate economic reforms and policies will result in high return on investment for the growing working-age population; (based on CPD2014/1 op16) **Agreed ad ref**

OP23. *Encourages* efforts at all levels to establish and strengthen social protection measures and programmes especially in developing countries, including national safety nets for the poorest and those living in vulnerable situations and those facing discrimination and in this regard underlines the importance of increasing investment, capacity-building and systems development; (based on CPD 2021/1, op16), and further encourages Governments to increase the coverage of social protection floors to design policy measures that are gender and age-sensitive and extend social protection to workers in the informal economy, to foster the progressive formalization of enterprises and employment in the informal sector, including in the care economy, and to mobilize investments in support of decent work, universal social protection, and a just transition towards equitable, inclusive and sustainable economies; (based on E/CN.9/2022/2 para 80) **Agreed ad ref**

OP24. *Urges* Member States, taking into account that women and girls are often disproportionately affected by the impacts of climate change and other environmental risks owing to gender inequalities and the dependence of many women on natural resources for their livelihoods, to promote the integration of a gender perspective

into environmental and climate change policies and their implementation and also urges developed countries to urgently and significantly scale up their provision of climate finance, technology transfer and capacity-building for adaptation so as to respond to the needs of developing countries as part of a global effort, including for the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans (based on Glasgow Climate Pact para 11), and encourages member states to increase the full, equal and meaningful participation of women in climate action and to ensure gender-responsive implementation and means of implementation, which are vital for raising ambition and achieving climate goals (based on Glasgow Climate Pact para68) and stresses the need to address the challenges posed by climate change that affect women and girls in particular, with a view to advancing towards the goal of promoting gender-responsive and full, equal and meaningful participation and resilience of women and girls and leadership and empowerment of women in support of climate and environment action; (based on 76/205 op22) **Agreed ad ref**

OP25. *Calls upon* Member States, the United Nations system, international and regional organizations, indigenous peoples, and all sectors of civil society, including non-governmental organizations, women- and youth-led organizations, private sector and academia, to promote the importance of international solidarity and multilateral cooperation, North-South, South-South and triangular cooperation to build back from the COVID-19 pandemic and to intensify contributions of all actors to the full, effective and accelerated implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; (based on CPD2021/1 op18) **Agreed ad ref**

OP26. *Urges* Member States to ensure universal, equitable, affordable and timely access to and distribution of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines, therapeutics, diagnostics, other health technologies, and health-care services, including as supported through the COVAX Facility and other relevant initiatives, especially in low- and middle-income countries, accelerating the global recovery and contributing to putting an end to the pandemic; (based on CPD 2021/1, op19) **Agreed ad ref**

OP27. *Also urges* Member States to strengthen national capacities, including through enhanced international cooperation and effective multilateralism, for the production, dissemination and analysis of high-quality, reliable and timely **statistics and** population data [~~and statistics~~] disaggregated by income, sex, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location and other characteristics relevant in national contexts for policy formulation by all countries, to encourage the use of distributional national accounts in order to facilitate an assessment of well-being that goes beyond gross domestic product and inform the design of policies for sustained and inclusive economic growth that benefit all, to complete in a timely manner the 2020 round of population and housing censuses and to improve civil registration and vital statistics; (based on E/CN.9/2022/2, para 84; E/CN.9/2022/3, para 84)

OP28. *Calls upon* the United Nations Population Fund to continue to play a crucial role, within its mandate, in assisting countries, based on their needs, and priorities and in consultation with them, to enable countries to achieve the full and effective implementation of the goals and objectives contained in the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions for its further implementation, and in the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; (based on CPD 2021/1, op21)

OP29. *Requests* the Secretary-General to pursue further improvements in the accessibility and timeliness of disaggregated population data for use by Member States, the United Nations system, civil society and academia (from CPD 2021/1 op22), to continue its research on the linkages among population, sustainable consumption and production, climate change and the environment, and human health, giving particular attention to levels, trends and differentials of mortality, fertility, population distribution and mobility and to the role of population and development policies, while mainstreaming a gender perspective (from CPD 2001/1, op1), and to ensure that the findings from this and related research should contribute to the next review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development. (from CPD 2001/1, op3) **Agreed ad ref**