

**Republic of South Sudan**

**Country Statement**

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Development (CPD) on the theme,**

***“Strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015  
development agenda”***

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The Republic of South Sudan wishes to take this opportunity to welcome the reports of the Secretary-General, entitled,

*“Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda (E/CN.9/2016/3)”*

*“Report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of population programmes, focusing on strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda*

- We reiterate that the Commission should continue its practice of choosing the special

theme of its annual session. The selection of the themes should reflect the breadth and scope of the ICPD Programme of Action and its key actions beyond 2014.

- In addition, the Commission's deliberation and outcome should serve to further the implementation of the ICPD Beyond 2014 and should therefore focus on gaps and challenges in the implementation as well as lessons learned and recommendations.

- The discussions on the CBD methods of work should underscore, strengthen the regional

operational dimensions of the ICPD follow-up. The discussions taking place in the CBD

human rights of citizenship, identity, schooling and population projection. Special attention should also be given to death registration by cause of death to inform

population trends and projections in our nations' rural and urban development

strategies and policies,' as part of the 2030 Agenda.

- We call for further development of regional and South-South Cooperation activities, including through centers of excellence that promote partnerships for the affordable generation, dissemination and analysis of population data in all countries, as well as for the strengthening of national capacities for the use of censuses and all related

population data by national statistical offices, academia and civil society: