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statistical system that draws on various population registers and is supplemented by annual sample surveys. Demographic data are also required to assess progress in the area of sustainable development. In 1997, the Swiss government began setting out its sustainable development policy in a national strategy. The Swiss Sustainable Development Strategy 2016. 2019 shows how Switzerland will contribute to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and many themes are related to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development:

The Swiss Federal Council commits to combating all forms of violence against women, including physical, psychological and sexual violence, stalking, forced marriage and female genital mutilation (FGM).

Gender equality remains a priority, as does reconciling work and family life.

Demographic shifts are taken into account in planning, managing and funding

Sustainable development, rather than being seen as an added task, should be incorporated in the regular planning and management process as much as possible. That is also our vision for the Commission's mandate: its review of the 2030 Agenda should dovetail with its follow-up work on the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development. This would allow the Commission to show how progress in implementing the Programme of Action will contribute to

identified, this collective effort will necessarily have a direct impact on progress made on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Thank you.

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