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## Response of Transatlantic Christian Council

### To Questions on the Future Role and Organization of the Commission on Population and Development

Transatlantic Christian Council is grateful to the Bureau of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) for the opportunity to respond to the questions included in the note circulated by the Chair of the Commission to Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the

- Among the reasons for countries to make reservations is that they cannot accept non-consensual language and agendas which are against their national laws.
- Introducing and trying to impose controversial language and the pushing of and insisting on ideologic agendas by parts of the membership goes even at the expense of reaching consensus and outcome document. This reprehensible behavior obstructs the procedures and brings the very existence and added value of the CPD in dispute and danger.

2. Population and development issues and trends, including drivers and impacts, have important implications for the further implementation of the Programme of Action and the achievement of the SDGs. What role can