

Statement of the Mission of Belarus to the United Nations
after the adoption of the resolution on the

“Assessment of the Status of Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International
Conference on Population and Development”

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Mr Chair,

First of all we would like to thank you for your hard efforts to achieve consensus on the resolution.

At the same time Belarus expresses its deep concern that the Commission has not recognized and failed to reflect in the current resolution the role of the family as an important actor and contributor to the sustainable development as it has been done in the relevant ECOSOC subsidiary commissions – CsoCD and CSW.

We believe that the crucial role of the family in the optimization of the demographic trends as well as the need of joint efforts of Member States and the UN system to support this basic and natural social unit **should be**