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THE SECRETARIAT IN THE FIELD OF POPULATION

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND PROGRESS OF  
WORK IN THE FIELD OF POPULATION IN 2017: POPULATION DIV(HE)1(2)-9.4(UL1(10)8)2.NI #fHSÀ 4 ' 6ceB, #fHT

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Mister Chairperson,

Excellencies,

Distinguished delegates and colleagues,

Mister Chairperson,

In addition to serving as Secretariat of the Commission on Population and Development and supporting intergovernmental activities in the area of international migration and development the Population Division is responsible for producing a large body of analytic work, including essential population data resources that provide the estimates of record for the UN system and

countries, as well as for all urban agglomerations with 300,000 inhabitants or more. The results are expected to be released in the second quarter of 2018.

Note that the data produced by the Population Division are not limited to information about population size and characteristics, and population changes over time. The Division also publishes original data on the population policies adopted by governments. Thus, in 2017, we continued to update the database of World Population Policies, collected through the United Nations Inquiry among Governments on Population and Development and supplemental policy reviews by our staff. This database is a unique source of policy data on a wide variety of population topics.

Lastly, let me also highlight additional data collections in the areas of household composition, living arrangements of older persons and marital status of women, as well as continuing work on an interactive database to archive and display the geographic coordinates of city boundaries according to various definitions (for example, city proper, urban agglomeration, metropolitan area) and the size of the associated populations as enumerated in national censuses

Mister Chairperson,

Our global data sets inform a wide variety of reports and other publications on population trends and policies. These include biennial reports produced by the Division in our main substantive lines of work. The Division's original data sets are also used for a wide variety of outputs intended to be accessible to a wide audience. These include Highlights reports; population fact sheets on selected topics and data booklets that combine

family planning inform the monitoring of SDG target 3.7. As the custodian agency for SDG indicator 3.7.2 on adolescent birth rates the Division provided updates on adolescent birth rates for women aged 15–19, now available for 219 countries or areas for the period 2000–2015. For indicator 10.7.2 on the number of countries that have implemented changed migration policies, the Division is working with IOM to develop and validate proposed methodology through regional workshops, jointly with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the