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STATEMENT

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Mr. Chairman,

My delegation agrees itself with the statement delivered by the Chairman of the

Group of 77 and China and would like to join other delegations in congratulating you on your election to the Chair of the 41st Session of the Commission on Population and Development. We wish you and the new Bureau every success. We also wish to congratulate the Director and Staff of the Population Division

assessing the challenges of water supply. Other important initiatives to promote balanced development in Ghana and to help stem rural/urban migration are the designation of selected communities as growth centers and the implementation of an effective decentralization policy.

The Government of Ghana has also supported the establishment of a Migration Research Centre at the University of Ghana. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and

Interior have also established Migration Divisions to coordinate issues on migration in the country. In addition, the National Population Council in collaboration with the National Development Planning Commission, Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Environment, and the Ministry of Health, is organizing a Forum on Population Distribution, Urbanization and Development in August this year to sensitize policy makers, planners and other stakeholders including civil society, on the challenges and opportunities of