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Thank you Mr Chair.

New Zealand was pleased to join consensus on this important resolution. We congratulate the Commission for the resolution's consensus adoption.

We would like to thank Indonesia and Switzerland for their work as Chair and Facilitator. New Zealand would particularly like to express our deep thanks to Mr Pio Wennubst and to the Secretariat. This would not have been possible without them and their patience.

We would also like to thank the distinguished colleagues and friends who took part in these negotiations from all around the world. We acknowledge the spirit of warmth and respect in the negotiations in this regard which has helped us to get to an outcome today. We are grateful for that.

Mr Chair, as you know, there is a lot more New Zealand wanted to see in the text. However, New Zealand will continue to work hard to advance the human rights including the sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights of adolescents and youth to advance their lives.