COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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Statement of Uganda in closing 45th session CPD

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I would like to commend you for your hard work and skilful steering of the work of the Commission.

I would also like to commend the facilitator for the calm and tireless manner in which he guided the negotiations of this text and for his efforts in such a difficult and charged atmosphere.

Uganda would like to put on record the following:

We reaffirm our belief that the rights and responsibilities of parents for their children should not be limited by phrases like "evolving capacities of the child".

We remain of the view that parents reserve the right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children including "evidence-based comprehensive education on human sexuality".

Furthermore, we would like to state our reservations to pp. 15 of this resolution, as we feel that, when read in its entirety, it is not consistent with our national legislation and development priorities at this time.

Delegate: Margaret Awino Kafeero, First Secretary.