UNITED NATIONS EXPERT GROUP MEETING FOR THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE FOLLOW-UP AND REVIEW OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT Population Division

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I. Introduction

+n September 201,# t&e UN - eneral Assembl (establis&ed t&e Sustainable Development - oals .SD - s/ as a follo up to t&e 0 illenium Development - oals .0 D - s/) E 'panded in scope# t&e SD - s specif (11 universal *oals# 123 tar*ets and 230 indicators) %&e (address t&e most pressin* *lobal c&allen*es of our time# callin* upon collaborative partners&ips across and bet een countries to balance t&e t&ree dimensions of sustainable development# economic *ro t&# environmental sustainabilit (# and social inclusion)

II. Key Issues

4 it& t&e 5leavin* no one be&ind5 commitment# t&ere is unpreceded demand for data to measure pro*ress to ards ac&ievin* t&e SD - s) %&is includes provision of data at subnational level) %&e measurement of development c&an*e at t&ese levels ould assist to determine &o muc& effort - overnments are re6uired to put in to improve people7s livin* conditions at t&e *rassroots\$level)

SD - indicator frame or" is a vital tool in c&ec"in* pro*ress in measurin* t&e population SD - s) 4 &en used properl(# it aids in ensurin* t&at all t&e SD - s tar*ets and indicators are trac"ed and reported on) 8 o ever# in t&e process of operationali9in* t&e frame or"# lac" of coordination amon* its users ma(lead to inconsistenc(in measurin* population related SD - s)

%&ere is competin* needs to *enerate data for administrative use and for SD - s reportin*) : ountries &ave to commit on bot& needs) Ali*nin* of national plans to international *oals and tar*ets is "e() 4 &ere possible# some tar*ets and indicators s&ould be restated to ma"e t&em more applicable to national circumstances and conditions %&is fact is in line it& t&e resolution Adopted b(t&e - eneral Assembl(on 21;ul(2012<

= 4 e reco*ni9e t&at pro*ress to ards t&e ac&ievement of t&e - oals needs to be assessed and accompanied b(tar*ets and indicators# &ile ta"in* into account different national circumstances# capacities and levels of development>2

Emer*in* population me*atrends &ave brou*&t additional c&allen*es t&at countries &ave to face in t&e 6uest of ac&ievin* sustainable development) Urban population *ro t& in recent times &as posed a c&allen*e in meetin* t&e tar*ets b(2030) %&e rapid *ro t& of urban centers is increasin*I(becomin* a source of plannin* problems associated it& urbani9ation) +n ?ambia# t&e rural population &as decreased from 2,)3 percent in 2000 to 20), percent in 2010# leadin* to an increase in t&e percenta*e of total urban population .from 3@)1 percent to 33), percent# respectiveI(/) Urban population in 2018 is estimated at @2)8 percent and is e'pected to reac& @,), percent b(2030) %&e proportion of population livin* in cities t&at implement