Thank you, Chair, for giving me the floor.

**ICPD/CPD/Post-2015**

The Netherlands remains convinced that the promotion, protection and the fulfilment of human rights for all including sexual and reproductive health and rights, without discrimination on any grounds, are critical enablers of sustainable development.

Therefore we remain strongly committed to the full implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, the outcomes of the review conferences and its full integration in the post-2015 development framework.

In this respect the Netherlands believes it was regrettable that we were unable to reach a consensus during last April’s session of the Commission on Population and Development. We will continue to work on all levels and with multiple partners to secure sexual and reproductive health and rights, gender equality and well-being for all.

Chair, please allow me to make some comments on the annual report and the Global Programme to Enhance Reproductive Health Commodity Security.

**UNFPA/annual report**

UNFPA remains an important and strategic partner that adds considerably to attainning the Netherlands’ goals on SRHR. The Netherlands would like to express its appreciation for the comprehensive report and annexes, the first of the 2014-2017 strategic cycle. The report communicates UNFPA’s achievements in a clear and well-structured manner, gives us a wealth of information and insight in UNFPA’s way forward, which we find encouraging. Clear communication on results is important,
as it reveals the relevance and significance of UNFPA’s mandate and work, which in
turn informs and guides the Netherlands in funding decisions. We encourage UNFPA
to retain this positive trend in reporting and results and make it available for a
wider public. We support UNFPA’s increased efforts to cater for the needs of women
and girls in conflict and humanitarian situations. We share the concern about MDG
5 a and b lagging behind and we will continue to work with UNFPA to close the gap.

**GP-RHCS**

In 2012 the Netherlands joined the Family Planning 2020 global partnership. We
feel committed to play our role in enabling an additional 120 million women in the
poorest countries to access contraceptive information, services and supplies. For us
the UNFPA Global Programme to Enhance Reproductive Health Commodity Security
is a key instrument to live up to our commitment because of its scope and capacity
to create synergy. In order to be effective we call on the management for strong
leadership and efficient management at all levels. The Netherlands remains
convinced that the Global Programme can make gains that we cannot secure as an
individual donor. We call on other donors to join us in the Global Programme to
fulfil the expectations of millions of women and girls.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, the Netherlands is pleased to note that UNFPA has made strides in
securing an efficient and effective organization. We welcome the positive MOPAN
assessment in 2014 and the progress reported. That having been said we
encourage UNFPA to show us tangible evidence of results at the country-level as
these are proof of the improvement of the individual lives of women and girls. We
appreciate UNFPA’s leadership in important global processes and bodies to advance
sexual and reproductive health and rights for all. This global leadership sets an
example for management at all levels in UNFPA.

Thank you, Chair.