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Mr. Chair, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) welcomes the opportunity to take the floor today to address the 46th session of the Commission on Population and Development convened under the theme “New Trends in Migration: Demographic Aspects”. We appreciate the constructive approach of the Chair

Migration lies at the heart of the International Conference on Population and Development's (ICPD) Programme of Action with its chapters IX dedicated to internal migration and X dedicated to international migration. It is a key enabler for equitable, inclusive and sustainable social and economic

development to the benefit of countries of origin and destination, as well as to the human development of migrant men, women and children. To fully realize this potential, the human rights of all migrants must be respected, promoted, protected and fulfilled, and human development aspects of migration

2. Factor migration into development planning

- Encourage integration of migration and human mobility into development and broader sectoral planning, at local, national and global levels and both in developing and developed countries. Specifically, recognize that migration today is relevant to all three pillars of sustainable development – economic, social and environmental – and that migration needs to be

appropriately factored into the post-2015 UN development agenda, setting clear targets.

3. Protect the human rights of all migrants

Frame respect for and protection of the human rights of all migrants. Specifically, promote a

IOM will continue to offer support to the CPD deliberations and in making the 2013 HLD and subsequent ICPD 2014 review successful forums to enhance international cooperation and partnership on migration. So that migrants and migration can achieve their full development potential.

Thank you.