

Explanation of position of the Somalia delegation

Thanks, Chair, for giving us the floor. On behalf of the Somali delegation, we welcome the great work that commissions have done and your leadership in chairing this conference, as well as the co-facilitators and UNFPA. My delegation is concerned about the call for countries to fully implement the ICPD Program of Action.

Therefore, we propose that countries have the right to customize ICPD programs of action in line with their national legislation, religion, and culture instead of postponing full implementation of ICPD programs of action.

My delegation reaffirms that Somalia is committed to implementing ICPD programs of action in line with our national legislation, Islamic religion, and culture.

Somalia reaffirms its commitment to work with the DESA and other UN agencies for shared mutual interests.