



**Closing Remarks by the Principal Secretary  
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The National Treasury and Planning**

**Briefing of the Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations ICPD25**

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**Excellences, Heads of Diplomatic Missions and Embassies,**  
**Representatives of Development Partners,**  
**Heads of International Organizations,**  
**Distinguished Guests,**  
**Ladies and Gentlemen,**  
**All protocols observed**

It is my honour and pleasure to express my gratitude to you all for heeding our invitation and attending this briefing session. The Nairobi Summit on ICPD25 is just but a few days away. Although the Summit will be a three-day event its programme action will require effort of all of us to accelerate the promise we made in Cairo in 1994 and the ones we are going to make after this Summit. The ICPD programme of action is relevant today as it was in 1994.

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As you have heard, Kenya still has population challenges that will require political will and resources to address.

The draft Global and Africa commitments for the ICPD Programme of Action have been prepared and circulated for inputs. Kenya is in the process of drafting the Country commitments that will be presented during the Nairobi Summit ICPD25. The country commitments will be guided by the Global and Africa commitments. They will also be guided by the SDGs, Africa Agenda 2063, and the Third Medium Term Plan (MTP III) of the Vision 2030 which includes the Big Four Agenda. The ICPD25 Technical Sub-committee has been reviewing these documents to ensure that the commitments that the country will make are all inclusive and relevant to

all Kenyans including those living in the far flung areas in the spirit of leaving no one behind.

For the country to accelerate the promise made during ICPD in Cairo, resources will be mobilized from our domestic finances, development partners and international organizations.

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The Nairobi Summit ICPD25 will not be complete without participation of all of you. I therefore urge you to ensure that your countries and organizations send delegations to the Summit. Your support and participation will contribute to the success of the Nairobi summit.

Once again Excellencies, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen I thank you for taking time from your busy schedules to attend this briefing on the Nairobi Summit on the ICPD25.