



Order 581 (2002)¹

State of the world population

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly, referring to its [Recommendation 1564 \(2002\)](#) on the state of the world population, asks its relevant committees to:
 - i. look into the possibilities for ensuring an Assembly presence at relevant United Nations meetings so as to ensure that the commitments resulting from the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), held in Cairo in 1994, are upheld;
 - ii. hold a conference on Population and Development in 2003 to follow up the global parliamentary conference scheduled for November 2002 and to prepare for Cairo+10 in 2004;
 - iii. continue work on the impact of the Mexico City Policy of US President George W. Bush on European-based non-governmental organisations;
 - iv. look into possibilities for drawing up a European strategy for sexual and reproductive health.
2. The Parliamentary Assembly urges its members and appropriate committees:
 - i. to invite United Nations and civil society experts in population and sexual and reproductive health and rights for periodic updates on the state of the world population;
 - ii. to support activities to promote awareness of population and sexual and reproductive health and rights issues;
 - iii. to support involvement in the activities of the Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development.

1. *Text adopted by the Standing Committee, acting on behalf of the Assembly, on 29 May 2002 (see [Doc. 9452](#), report of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Demography, rapporteur: Mrs Lörcher).*

