Decision 2018/233

Report on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 12 June 2018, the Economic and Social Council:

Recalling General Assembly resolution 49/128 of 19 December 1994, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to prepare periodic reports for the substantive sessions of the Council on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and to promote the exchange of information on the requirements for international assistance among the members of the donor community,

Recalling also Council decision 2017/259 of 7 July 2017, in which it requested the United Nations Population Fund, in consultation with the Secretariat, to provide, in the context of the report on the flow of financial resources to be submitted to the Commission on Population and Development at its fifty-first session in 2018, information on a potential revision of the methods, categories and data sources used as the basis for preparing this report, with technical recommendations on, inter alia, the future scope, format and periodicity of the report, and decided that the Commission should review the technical recommendations at its fifty-first session,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,¹

Decided:

(a) That future reports on the flow of financial resources would be based on official development assistance, tracking resource allocations by all donors, as recorded in the creditor reporting system of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development;

(b) That the resource tracking exercise would be expanded, where feasible, beyond the four costed components contained in the Programme of Action to include additional topics bearing directly on the Programme of Action, including health, empowerment of women and education, and the specific focus on the special theme of the annual session of the Commission;

(c) That the report would continue to be produced on an annual basis and would include, every fourth year, beginning with the fifty-second session of the Commission in 2019, an update on the status of emerging and potential new data sources,

including sources of information about non-official development assistance expenditures.