

# Serious Problems: Draft CSW65 Agreed Conclusions (March 12, Rev.2)

## Analysis and Suggestions

**\*NOTE:** Terms highlighted in yellow are not UN consensus terms and therefore should be outright rejected.

<b>Terms Used to Promote Abortion, Homosexuality and Transgenderism</b>			
Number of References	Problematic Terms	Comments	
<b>24 SRHR Terms</b>	9	<b>“sexual and reproductive health and rights”</b>	This term has never been accepted in a UN consensus document, and it would be a major loss if adopted, as “sexual health” rights has been defined by WHO and UN agencies to encompass abortion, CSE, LGBT and prostitution rights.
	5	<b>“sexual and reproductive health”</b>	While some of these SRH terms may have been considered UN consensus terms, they are now being used by donor countries and UN agencies to encompass unfettered abortion and LGBT rights and services. They are only acceptable now if caveated in accordance with national laws in every instance, and even then, it is better to omit them.
	7	<b>“sexual and reproductive health care services”</b>	
	1	<b>“sexual and reproductive health outcomes”</b>	
	1	<b>“sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights” (not caveated!)</b>	
	1	<b>“reproductive health”</b>	
<b>54 General LGBT Agenda Terms</b>	13	<b>“human rights defenders”</b>	This term is defined broadly to encompass defenders of LGBT rights. It should be replaced with “defenders of internationally recognized rights.” Or “agreed” rights.
	9	women and girls <b>“in all their diversity”</b>	This term is the new euphemism for transgender males who identify as female to avoid pointing out they are transgender and not actually female. This should be avoided at all cost.

	10	<p><b>“multiple and intersecting” forms of discrimination</b></p> <p>1 – <b>“intersectional approach”</b></p> <p>1 – <b>“intersectional perspective”</b></p>	These are terms intended to encompass LGBT discrimination and not just sex-based discrimination
54 General LGBT Agenda Terms (cont.)	5	<b>“comprehensive sexuality education” (CSE)</b>	While CSE was included in a few documents before states understood its harmful definition, it has been consistently rejected in UN negotiations for the last decade and was specifically rejected from the 2030 Agenda and should not be considered a UN consensus term. UN-published CSE guidance and curricula promote promiscuity, abortion, LGBT rights and more.
	1	<b>“comprehensive sexual and reproductive health information, education”</b>	Because of the strong pushback against CSE, UNFPA has been caught saying they have deceptively renamed CSE “comprehensive sexual and reproductive health education” in some of their publications to avoid pushback, but it still has the same harmful content. Any reference to SRH education or sex education must be deleted or heavily caveated with parental rights and in accordance with national laws and cultures. <b>Note:</b> “age-appropriate” is not a valid caveat as there is no universal standard for what is age-appropriate so it is deceptively meaningless.
	1	<b>“Sexual and reproductive health care services, including for family planning, information and education”</b>	
	1	<b>“education, health-care services including sexual and reproductive health”</b>	
	8	<p><b>references to review outcome documents (Beijing/ICPD)</b></p> <p>4 – <b>“outcome documents of its reviews”</b></p> <p>3 – <b>“outcome documents of their review conferences”</b></p> <p>1 – <b>“outcome documents of their reviews”</b></p>	

<b>54 General LGBT Agenda Terms (cont.)</b>			<b>TERMS REFERRING TO REVIEW OUTCOME DOCUMENTS ARE ONLY ACCEPTABLE IF CAVEATED BY “ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY” OR IF A FOOTNOTE IS INCLUDED OPENLY SPECIFYING ALL THE DOCUMENTS IT IS REFERRING TO.</b>
	<b>2</b>	<b>“sexual orientation” and “gender identity”</b>	These nonagreed terms would establish sexual orientation and gender identity as protected classes with special rights.
	<b>3</b>	<b>“sexuality, right to decide freely and have control over”</b>	While this phrase is routinely accepted in many negotiated documents without resistance, it is one of the most dangerous phrases understood to encompass abortion and LGBT (especially lesbian and sex worker) rights.
	<b>3</b>	<b>“various forms of the family”</b>	While this phrase may have been a consensus term well over a decade ago, it no longer is as it is strongly contested and rejected whenever it is proposed. This is because it can refer not just to single-parent or extended families but also to LGBT, incestuous or polyamorous family arrangements and is now used, at a minimum, to be a euphemistic term to recognize LGBT “families.”

### **Gender Terms Used to Promote LGBT Agenda - NOT Just Women’s Equality**

<b>117 Gender Terms</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>“gender equality”</b>	All gender-based terms have become highly problematic as UN treaty bodies, special procedures, agencies, and EU countries are now interpreting “gender” to encompass transgender issues and not just male and female. So now “gender equality” is being used to advance “LGBT equality.”
	<b>37</b>	<b>“gender-based” violence</b>	
	<b>8</b>	<b>“gender inequality”</b>	
	<b>5</b>	<b>“gender stereotypes”</b>	
	<b>3</b>	<b>“gender statistics”</b>	
	<b>2</b>	<b>“gender mainstreaming”</b>	
	<b>2</b>	<b>“gender responsive”</b>	
	<b>1</b>	<b>“gender transformative”</b>	
	<b>5</b>	<b>“gender parity”</b>	
	<b>2</b>	<b>“gender quota(s)”</b>	For example, the Independent Expert on protection against violence and

		<p>discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity in public policy recently put out a call for inputs on state adoption of:</p> <p>“legislation or jurisprudence, <b><u>working definitions of gender and related concepts</u></b> (for example gender theory, <b><u>gender-based approaches, gender perspective, gender mainstreaming</u></b>) aiming to address violence and discrimination <b><u>based on sexual orientation and gender identity.</u></b>” (See <a href="#">here.</a>)</p> <p>A remedy for this is for a UN Member State to call for a footnote stating that gender refers to male and female only and has no other meaning. If other UN delegations oppose this, you can be sure they intend to interpret gender in controversial ways, thus doubly emphasizing the need for it to be qualified.</p>
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## Proposed Fake Sovereignty Paragraphs in Rev 2

**Red text = problematic**

**Blue text = ideal**

**NOTE:** The red caveats in the two following fake sovereignty paras deceptively gut the sovereignty protections and omit the critical reference to “**full respect for the various religious and ethical values and cultural backgrounds**” and the reference to “**universally recognized**” to modify “**international rules and commitments**” (para 15) or to modify “**international obligations and commitments**” (para 79).

15. The Commission reiterates that the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development needs to be implemented in a comprehensive manner, reflecting its universal, integrated and indivisible nature, taking into account different national realities, capacities and levels of development and respecting each country’s policy space and leadership **while remaining consistent with relevant international rules and commitments**, including by developing cohesive sustainable development strategies to achieve gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls. The Commission affirms that Governments have the

primary responsibility for the follow-up to and review of the 2030 Agenda at the national, regional and global levels **with regard to progress made.**

79. The Commission recognizes that [governments] [Member States] have the responsibility of developing national policies and priorities **in accordance with their international obligations and commitments to achieve gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls** and that the United Nations system entities are called to assist governments in accordance with national laws and taking into account priorities, realities and capacities.

**NOTE: This third proposed sovereignty para is much better but omits the “universally recognized” caveat for all “human rights and fundamental freedoms.”**

16. The Commission reaffirms that **the sovereign right of each country to implement the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, and the recommendations in these Agreed Conclusions**, including through national laws and the formulation of strategies, policies, programmes and development priorities, **is the sovereign responsibility of each State, in conformity with all [ADD: universally recognized] human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the significance of** and **with full respect for the various religious and ethical values, and cultural backgrounds of its people**, and in conformity with **universally recognized** international human rights **and philosophical convictions of individuals and their communities should contribute** to the full enjoyment by women of their human rights in order to achieve equality, development and peace.

**NOTE: This ICPD sovereignty paragraph is the gold standard as it is undiluted and uncaveated.**

“The implementation of the recommendations contained in ~~[DELETE: the Programme of Action and those contained in]~~ the present document is **the sovereign right of each country, consistent with its national laws and development priorities, with full respect for the various religious and ethical values and cultural backgrounds of its people**, and in conformity with **universally recognized** international human rights.” – ICPD Preamble.