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Article The 'Unreached' in Family Planning: A Case Study of

the Republic of Korea

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Abstract The family planning programme of the Republic of Korea has been quite successful,

yet it has not been able to extend its services to all couples of child bearing age. There still exists a group of couples who want no more children and yet are not currently using any contraceptive method. National surveys have shown that the proportion of women of reproductive age in this group is significant. The study on which this article is based focuses on the psycho-social characteristics of the group to provide policy makers, family planning administrators and workers with the specific information they need in order to reduce its size.

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