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## Statement:

- 1. UN-GGIM: Africa express its appreciation for the excellent report and welcome the outcomes of the work of the Working Group.
- 2. The Region has generated several policy materials that can help Member States fast track progress in the development and implementation of national spatial data infrastructures and their integration into other strategies as well as the synergistic integration of statistical information and the geospatial component for sound decision making. Un-GGIM: Africa through the Economic Commission for Africa has produced a policy handbook on spatial data taxonomy and matrix identifying the geospatial datasets requirements for the monitoring and implementation of the SDGs in Africa. The matrix enumerates all the geospatial datasets that are labelled based on their criticality for the monitoring and implementation of the goals and targets for each SDG indicators. On the other hand, the taxonomy describes classes of data and information products that are relevant to the monitoring of the SDGs and, classify them by types, uses in computing the SDGs indicators, available formats, scale and resolution.
- 3. This work has benefited from financial resources provided by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund of the UN Peace and Development Trust Fund.

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