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Geospatial information and services for disasters (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i> World Geospatial Industry Council	
<i>Statement:</i> The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the value of reliable and relevant geospatial information for managing and mitigating against disasters. This pandemic has shown the need to have accurate positioning services in near-real time, including in areas where GNSS signals are not adequately available, and in multi-storey buildings where accurate elevation (third dimension) is also a requirement. The World Geospatial Industry Council (WGIC) recommends that the Working Group on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters, in conjunction with the Subcommittee on Geodesy, investigate and make recommendations on ways to address these two limitations in the current near-real time positioning service.	
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