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

<i>Statement provided by:</i> UN-GGIM: Europe	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• UN-GGIM: Europe notes the report and appreciates the continued efforts of the Working Group to progress its work. Welcoming particularly the revised Terms of Reference that will guide the operations of the Working Group, and the endeavours to align the Strategic Framework on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters with the Strategic Framework with the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.• The critical importance of trusted geospatial information to support decision-making at all levels of disaster risk management has been amply demonstrated by the Covid-19 pandemic. . UN-GGIM: Europe appreciates the work carried out by the working Group in promoting and increasing this awareness across regions and Member States.• The Regional Committee also commends the Working Group on its plans to avoid duplication of efforts by identifying and keeping track of the activities of the many organisations already undertaking disaster risk management activities.• UN-GGIM: Europe encourages Member States to engage with the Working Group through membership and active contribution, drawing attention to the call for responses to complete an online Assessment Survey which has been extended for a further two months to encourage a more representative sample of responses.	
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