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Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat has the honour to bring to the attention of the Committee of
Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management the report containing the
contributions of regional committees and thematic groups to the global geospatial
information agenda, which will be available in the language of submission only from
the relevant web page of the Committee of Experts (http://ggim.un.org/
meetings/ggim-committee/9th-session/). The Committee is invited to take note of the
report and to express its views on the operation and achievements of the regional
committees and thematic groups.

Summary of the report

The report provides information on the contributions and achievements of the
following nine regional committees and thematic groups: Regional Committee of
United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Asia and the Pacific;
Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management
for the Americas; Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial
Information Management for Africa; Regional Committee of United Nations Global
Geospatial Information Management for Europe; Regional Committee of United
Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for the Arab States; United
Nations Global Geospatial Information Management Geospatial Societies; United
Nations Global Geospatial Information Management Academic Network; United
Nations Global Geospatial Information Management Private Sector Network; and the
United Nations system network.

The report contains information on the activities and achievements of the
regional committees and thematic groups since the eighth session of the Committee
of Experts, held in New York from 1 to 3 August 2018, including the regional

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meetings and workshops held during the intersessional period. The report also provides an overview of their work in the following areas: (a) sustainable development; (b) Integrated Geospatial Information Framework; (c) land administration and management; (d) disaster risk reduction; (e) fundamental geospatial data themes; (f) integration of statistical and geospatial information; (g) legal and policy frameworks; (h) regional and international collaboration and capacity development; (i) global geodetic reference frame; (j) marine geospatial information (k) priority issues and challenges; (l) future plans and events; and (m) efforts towards a more structured and sustainable coordination approach for geospatial information management activities within the United Nations system.