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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Africa (UN-GGIM: Africa)	
<i>Statement:</i> 1. UN-GGIM: Africa aims at playing a coordinating role in promoting the strategic use of geospatial and other innovative technologies in support of statistical systems, and at advocating for their adoption and implementation in accordance with international provisions. 2. As part of the Fifth Meeting, a regional workshop was organized to enable the national mapping agencies and experts to review the developed strategy for integrating geospatial and statistical information in Africa. A background document was prepared which served as a basis for discussion. The meeting then featured interactive discussion on best approaches and methodologies to operationalize an African-centered Geospatial Statistical Framework (AGSF) - a fit-for-purpose strategy for the integration. The meeting further reiterated its call upon National Statistics Offices (NSOs) and National Mapping and Agencies (NMAs) to encourage the integration of geospatial and statistical information and the improvement of institutional coordination between the two communities in the context of the Vision 2063, the 2030 Agenda, the SDG global indicator framework and the 2020 Round of Censuses. 3. The Africa region take cognizance of the report and the work of the Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information. The region looks forward to the means of operationalizing the Framework to support census activities as well as tracking the various development agenda in the continent.	
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