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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, prepared with assistance from the World Bank Group, on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework. The report 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/10th-session/>). The Committee is invited to take note of the report and to express its views on the further development of the Framework, its Implementation Guide and country-level action plans.

Summary of the report

At its ninth session, held in New York from 7 to 9 August 2019, the Committee of Experts adopted decision 9/103, in which it welcomed the series of extensive and productive expert consultative meetings that had been convened to develop and refine the Implementation Guide of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework in preparation for subsequent and broader global consultations with Member States and other key stakeholders. The Committee noted that the Guide needed to incorporate and build on the work of the Committee's expert and working groups and suggested that, when it came to implementing the Framework, it was necessary for the Guide to build on existing regional experiences in the implementation of national spatial data infrastructure and to recognize that there was not only one way to implement the Framework. The Committee also stressed the importance of capacity development and resources, including effective financial and institutional support, in the operationalization of the Framework.

In the report, information is provided on the joint efforts made by the Secretariat and the World Bank to further develop and refine the Framework, its Implementation Guide and country-level action plans, in particular through a process of regional and subregional consultative and expert group meetings. The Guide is a reference resource that provides guidance and options for actions that can be taken to implement the nine strategic pathways of the Framework and to strengthen national geospatial

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information management. The Guide has now been the subject of a broad global consultation process undertaken with Member States and relevant stakeholders. In that regard, the report provides details on the global consultation on the Guide and serves to update the Committee on the progress of pilot countries in the development of action plans, methods, toolkits and e-learning materials.
