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Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i> Fiji	
<i>Statement:</i> Fiji recognizes the importance of geospatial information to support national development and decision making, and commends the work of the UN-GGIM to develop the Intergrated Geospatial Information Management Framework (IGIF) as a reference for countries in strengthening their geospatial information management and relevant infrastrustures. As one of the six countries to be afforded the oppportunity to pilot the United Nations 11 th Tranche Development Account Project 1819D “Strenghtening Geosptial Informationmanagement inDeveloping Countries towards Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, in implementing the IGIF through the development of country level action plans, Fiji has gained much insight in identifying it’s critical areas of need and gaps for geospatial information management capabilities, and addressing these needs and gaps by referencing the IGIF and the Implementation Guide for guidance to practical and effective strategies. Fiji further acknowledges and appreciates the work of partners and consultants involved in the United Nations 11 th Tranche Development Account Project 1819D, whose expert guidance and advice has cultivated positive steps to strengthening it’s geospatial information management arrangements. Fiji encourages the wide use of the IGIF and the Implementation Guide provided for Member States, in particular, Fiji’s neighbouring Pacific Small Island Developing States, who are looking to strengthen it’s geospatial information management arrangements and capacities, and supports the establishment of a dedicated high-level group of experts on integrated geospatial information management as a mechanism to provide the strategic leadership, coordination and oversight, and mobilize resources to maintain the momentum of the IGIF.	
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