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- 1.** UN-GGIM: Africa welcomes the report prepared jointly by the Secretariat and the working group on geospatial information of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators. The region further endorses the geospatial road map for the Sustainable Development Goals with the vision of getting geospatial and location-based information being recognized and accepted as official data for the SDGs and their global indicators.
- 2.** Further to the publication of its policy handbook on spatial data taxonomy with a consistent matrix identifying the geospatial datasets requirements for the monitoring and implementation of the SDGs, UN-GGIM: Africa calls upon interested parties to join its effort to undertake a status study and to develop strategies to close the fundamental geospatial data gaps.
- 3.** This work has benefited from financial resources provided by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund of the UN Peace and Development Trust Fund.

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