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Statement:

The United Kingdom welcomes the report on Strengthening of Geospatial Information Management, and express our thanks to the Expanded Bureau, Secretariat and other Member States who have continued to promote, champion, and strengthen global geospatial information management through a challenging period since the Committee of Experts last met.

We continue to value and applaud the achievements of UN-GGIM over the last ten years and recognise the ever-increasing importance of this forum whose multiple workstreams are having demonstrably positive impacts on both the global landscape and through national development programmes.

It is vital that these achievements are recognised and that UN-GGIM is sustainably resourced going forward. The UK supports the establishment of an ad-hoc task team to lead preparations for the forthcoming ECOSOC review and we will continue to support this initiative where we can.

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