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The delegation of Argentina takes note of the report on the actions carried out by the Working Group on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters and appreciates the effort and commitment of all its members, especially in relation to the work carried out in the context of COVID 19 pandemic, which affects all countries in the world, highlighting the importance of the availability of geospatial information for disaster risk management. It also recognizes the work carried out for the implementation of the Strategic Framework on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters.

Argentina also appreciates the work carried out for the development of the Working Group's Work Plan 2020-2023, and acknowledges the importance of its four targets which will guide the activities and operations of the Group.

Argentina acknowledges the importance of the results and recommendations included in the "Assessment 2020 Results - Strategic Framework on Geospatial Information & Services for Disasters", as a tool to assist the Working Group to better understand the status of the national geospatial information and services landscape across all phases of disasters, and to determine mechanisms and strategies to support the implementation of the Strategic Framework.

Argentina acknowledges the importance of the work conducted by the Regional WG on Disasters, where the country is actively collaborating, among other activities, in the Sub-Working Group on Capacity Building Action Plan of the UN-GGIM Americas Working Group on Disasters.

Argentina encourages Member States, DRR/DRM organizations, and relevant academia, private sector and UN System organizations, to participate in the global administration of the DRR inventory surveys following this session of the Committee of Experts

Finally, Argentina encourages Member States to become members of the Working Group and actively contribute to the mandate of expanding the use of geospatial information and services for disaster response initiatives.

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