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Colombia notes with appreciation the joint efforts and contributions made by the five regional committees and their respective working groups on the implementation of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF), the global geodetic reference frame and the integration of statistical and geospatial information. Furthermore, Colombia underscores that their outputs are vital sources of knowledge and guidance for decision-making and the strengthening and use of geospatial information in response to the COVID-19 pandemic recovery, the Sustainable Development Goals and the challenges faced in the implementation of UN-GGIM Frameworks.

Colombia highlights the development of the joint session *Aguascalientes Declaration, Better Together: Geospatial Information for Decision Making in the Americas* by UN-GGIM Americas Regional Committee and AmeriGEO. Colombia endorses the implementation of this joint agreement with the objective to properly contribute to strengthen and improve the collaboration among the Americas Member States on the use of Earth Observations, geographic, statistical, and other information to support decision making.

Colombia renews its commitment to the development of digital and technological resources recognizing the relevance of the geospatial digital approach. We will continue working on new indicators inclusion for the second version of MEGA to promote a better sharing and use of geospatial information management practices and solutions.

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