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Strengthening of geospatial information management (for discussion and decision)

Statement provided by:

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- a. EuroGeographics notes the report on strengthening geospatial information management and thanks the Secretariat for its efforts in taking strategic and practical actions to strengthen geospatial information management and related interlinkages for Member States.
- b. EuroGeographics will continue to actively support these efforts, to participate and collaborate in UN-GGIM activities as observers on both the global and European levels. EuroGeographics is also committed to continue to resource and support the provision of the UN-GGIM: Europe secretariat through the renewal of our service level agreement with the Netherlands.
- c. EuroGeographics understands that an important aspect covered in this report are the preparations for the Committee of Experts to report back to the Economic and Social Council next year. The Association notes the efforts that are being proposed by the Secretariat for the preparations of the ECOSOC report: the Draft Briefing Note, the establishment of an ad-hoc task team to draft the report, the follow-up consultation to finalise the report for submission to ECOSOC in February 2022, and notably the need for geospatial information management experts in Member States to initiate a dialogue with their Foreign Affairs and Permanent Missions to the United Nations in New York to alert and sensitize them to the preparations and nature of the report to the Economic and Social Council in 2022.
- d. EuroGeographics offers its support in the preparation of the ECOSOC report, especially by engaging and keeping our members, geospatial information management experts, informed through our extensive network of National mapping, cadastral and land registries of Europe, ensuring that all our members are aware of and engaged with this important process.

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