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Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i> UN-GGIM: Americas	
<i>Statement:</i> The UN-GGIM Regional Committee for the Americas: Takes note and welcomes the report prepared by the High-Level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework with the assistance of the UN-GGIM Secretariat. Also recognizes the efforts conducted by the Secretariat to refine the IGIF Implementation Guide and support the IGIF implementation at the country level through initiatives like the United Nations Development Account 11th tranche project, which will provide valuable resources that will be helpful for many other countries in the world. Fully endorses the Strategic Plan of the HLG-IGIF and expresses its commitment to support the three priority goals recommended in the initial Plan of Work. We envision a virtuous partnership between this Regional Committee and the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to jointly address a communication strategy to reach the countries with strong and effective messages. Recognizes the urgency to resource and finalize the IGIF Implementation Guide. One of the improvements that could be addressed at the regional level is the translation of its 10 chapters to other languages, so that the understanding and use of this Guide can be facilitated. Any procedure considering distributing this work among several countries (i.e. Spanish speaking) could be evaluated.	
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