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Global geodetic reference frame (for discussion and decision)

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MEXICO

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(a) Take note of the present report and the work of the Subcommittee on Geodesy during the intersessional period, including its considerable efforts to grow the critical understanding and importance of the Global Geodetic Reference Frame as a vital infrastructure for the global geospatial community;

Mexico recognizes the effort and results reported by the Subcommittee on Geodesy, especially the work carried out by the members of the bureau and the working groups.

(b) Consider the Position Paper on Sustaining the Global Geodetic Reference Frame, in particular, on the work package (Section 3) items, with a view to its adoption;

Mexico considers that the work packages that are proposed in the position paper on sustaining the GGRF will gradually help to accomplish the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly. In this sense, Mexico support its full adoption.

(c) Consider the Concept Paper on the Establishment of the Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence, in particular, on the strategic plan, with a view to its adoption;

Mexico supports the adoption of the strategic plan of the GGCE, as this Centre will allow to implement the work packages, mainly through a permanent coordination with Member States, the International Association of Geodesy, the International Federation of Surveyors and other stakeholders of the GGRF.

(d) Provide guidance on how to attract more contributions to support the establishment and operations of the Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence and encourage Member States to contribute to the operations of the Centre;

Regarding the need to attract contributions supporting this GGCE, Mexico considers it would be useful to make an analysis of the best practices based on existing UN Centres of Excellence, considering the federated model and explore the successful ones that might be applicable to this case.

(e) Provide guidance on the planned activities of the Subcommittee inter alia: 1) on how to proceed with the implementation of the work packages; and 2) building efficient and competent working groups with even geographical representation and a balance between developed and developing nations;

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Mexico considers that the Committee should have a guiding role in the Centre's work. Likewise, a cause-and-effect analysis would allow to identify which work packages have a greater impact on others and it would help to establish priorities and focus the efforts of all stakeholders through the governance mechanisms that are being implemented. Regarding the formation of effective working groups and with a balanced representation of Member States, Mexico considers that the contribution of the regional GGIM committees is very important to ensure that each region is having contributions in those working groups.

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