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## Statement:

The UN-GGIM Regional Committee for the Americas:

Takes note and acknowledges the report prepared by the Secretariat and the Working Group on Geospatial Information of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators.

Recognizes the progress of the Working Group during the intersessional period, especially the new list of indicators that now considers the usefulness of geospatial information to disaggregate their data. The incorporation of prevailing and complementary works from the Earth Observation community is also valuable.

Congratulates the SDGs Geospatial Roadmap as a valuable tool to support the national discussions on how geospatial information can be used to help the production and dissemination of SDGs indicators. We suggest reinforcing the participation and contribution of the national geospatial initiative (i.e. the national spatial data infrastructure, the national geospatial authority or similar) within the National SDGs Committee proposed in Phase 1 of the roadmap. Regional Committees and Regional Commissions could play a relevant role in strengthening these governance challenges at country level.

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