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The UN-GGIM Regional Committee for the Americas:

Highlights the work carried out by the Expert Group to support statistical and geospatial integration to guide the Member States to promote the implementation and operationalization of the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework (GSGF) and global development agendas.

Expresses its appreciation for the report of the Expert Group on the Fifty-second Session of the UN Statistical Commission to present the activities undertaken during the intersessional period and summarizing the implementation of the GSGF at the regional level. We strongly believe in the importance of these activities in alignment with the work plan 2020 - 2022.

Welcomes the work accomplished by the three task teams, such as the development of the global survey on the implementation of the GSGF, the guidance and recommendations for the management of privacy and confidentiality issues, the geocoding of statistical data, the common geographies and for standards and processes.

Recognizes the efforts made to consolidate in the background document "National and Regional Experiences of Implementing the GSGF" to provide the national and regional experiences in the implementation and operationalization of the GSGF and help the countries bridge the gaps identified.

Developed a GSGF e-learning course in English as part of the Central American Project funded by the Pan American Institute of Geography and History to support the efforts towards the adoption and implementation of the GSGF, and to facilitate its understanding in a friendlier and interactive platform among the Member States.

Promotes the Statistical and Geospatial Framework for the Americas (MEGA), to facilitate regional integration of statistical and geospatial information through the implementation of the five principles, and the use of common standards and geographies, according to the guidance and recommendations of the Expert Group.

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