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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Regional Committee of UN-GGIM: Europe	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• UN-GGIM: Europe notes and welcomes the report of the Working Group on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters detailing the work carried out during the intersessional period.• Noting the challenges the world is currently experiencing through the continuing Covid-19 pandemic and climate-related disaster events, the Regional Committee is appreciative of the progress reported by the Working Group, in particular the development of its work plan for the period 2021–2023 and the awareness raising and collaborative activities pursued with other Regional Committees, complementary working groups and disaster programmes of national and international bodies.• UN-GGIM: Europe notes with interest the “Assessment 2020 Results - Strategic Framework on Geospatial Information & Services for Disasters”. It is not surprising that the analysis based on the responding countries indicates different priorities and varying levels of DRM status across Member states and regions. Noting with regret that there were not sufficient responses to allow for an assessment to be carried out across a wider number of countries and regions the Regional Committee encourages the Member States, DRR/DRM organizations, and relevant academia, private sector and UN System organizations, to participate in the global administration of the DRR inventory surveys and studies in the future.• UN-GGIM: Europe also encourages Member States to become active members of the Working Group.	
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