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Proposed agenda for the third meeting of the Committee for the Coordination of
Statistical Activities, New York, 1 March 2004

Monday 1 March 2004
Afternoon session, 3pm - 6pm.

1. Adoption of the agenda (UNSD, Document SA/2004/1)

2. Harmonization of the base year for indicators (ALL, oral presentations)

Committee members are invited to report back on their implementation of the CCSA recommendation to harmonize base years for indicators.

3. Draft declaration of principles for statistical activities in international organizations (UNSD, oral presentation)

The Committee members will be briefed on the status of the discussion in the drafting group. The drafting group is seeking inputs from the Committee members in order to finalize the declaration.

4. Strategic issues related to Millennium Development Goal indicators (UNSD, oral presentation)

At its second session the Committee decided that further work was needed to endorse a set of specific recommendations on issues related to MDG indicators, including such strategic issues as the frequency of producing data, the corresponding development of data sources, and resource allocation between national and international reporting. Taking into account discussions at the Interagency Technical and Expert Group Meeting on MDG Indicators (Geneva, November 2003) and at the Second International Roundtable on Managing for Development Results, UNSD will present an oral proposal for addressing these issues. As background

material reference is made to the Statistical Commission document E/CN.3/2004/23 on MDG indicators and to the roundtable website at <http://www.managementfordevelopmentresults.org/2ndRoundtable.html>)

5. Q2004 satellite conference on data quality (UNSD, oral presentation)

The Committee will be briefed on the preparations of the Conference and is invited to review the proposed outlines of papers.

6. WHO Friends of the Chair report to the Statistical Commission and its implications for the Committee (Chair/Secretariat oral presentation)

The report to the Statistical Commission prepared by the Friends of the Chair on Health Statistics (E/CN.3/2004/4) contains some references and recommendations regarding inter-agency coordination and cooperation in particular in the following paragraphs: paras. 4, 6-7, 22, 26-27, 31-33, 40-42; The Committee is invited to discuss these recommendations and decide on what response - if any - it wants to present at the Statistical Commission session.

7. Agenda, dates and venue for the Forth Session of the Committee in September 2004 (UNSD, Document SA/2004/2)

The Committee is invited to discuss and finalize its agenda for the fall 2004 meeting.

8. Other business