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Domestic (within country) service sector in developing countries

The Workshop is planned for 9-13 October 1995 in Addis Ababa jointly with ECA. Fifteen to twenty African countries (French and English speaking), will be invited. Two consultants have been engaged to visit 3 countries (Cameroon, Morocco and Kenya) to see what data exists and to study the methodological and data collection problems and to prepare a report for the Workshop. Participants in the Workshop will be asked to write on their own country experiences in this field. The Workshop is expected to produce recommendations for methodology and data collection in this field.

Vital statistics and civil registration systems

An African Workshop on Strategy for Accelerating the Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics System (for French speaking countries), tentatively 4-8 December 1995 (venue; to be decided). This is one of a series workshops aimed at the promotion of the improvement of national vital statistics and civil registration systems. Four other similar workshops had been conducted (Latin American, December 1991; West Asia, June 1993, East Asia, November 1993; African (English speaking African countries), December 1994). Two representatives from each of selected twelve Francophone African countries will be invited, one representative comes from the vital statistics side and the other comes from the registration side. The Workshop will (a) discuss ways and means of promoting the awareness of national vital statistics and civil registration systems in each participating country, (b) assess the adequacy of national registration and vital statistics process, coverage and reliability, (c) suggest strategies for the improvement of vital statistics and civil registration systems in the participating countries.

Human settlements

The data base on human settlements has been completed. The format for tables for the Compendium of Human Settlements has

been prepared and provided to Habitat. The camera ready copy will be prepared by UNSD and Habitat and the Compendium will be published during 1995. It will be a major input into Habitat II in June 1996. Further work on human settlements will be designed based on the outcome of Habitat II.
