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Information on climate change risk management in Mexico

Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat has the honour to bring to the attention of the Tenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference of the Americas a technical paper containing information on climate change risk management in Mexico.¹ The technical paper is available in the original language only on the Conference website (<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/RCC/unrcca10.html>). The Conference is invited to take note of the technical paper.

Summary of the technical paper

Attention to the vulnerabilities of and risks to the country's population, communication and transport infrastructure and economic and energy base is a major element of the national climate change strategy. Although, until a few years ago, information on climate change-related disaster risk management and reduction was included using very basic information-sharing mechanisms, efforts are now being made to create new institutions for the processes of generating, disseminating and using statistical and geographical information which is relevant, timely and comparable.

In particular, within the framework of the National System of Statistical and Geographical Information, the Specialized Technical Committee on Climate Change Information has been set up, which involves the main agencies that produce and use information allowing them to evaluate and manage population and infrastructure risks and vulnerabilities in relation to natural phenomena.

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The technical report provides an introduction to the coordination mechanism that has been set up, as well as the challenges that have arisen, ranging from its legal background to its operation. The Technical Committee is cross-cutting in nature and aims at the inclusive interlinkage and coordination of data generation into a climate change information system.
