Intervention by Bahamas on agenda item 3(a)(i) "Broader measures of progress"

Bahamas fully supports Barbados and Suriname re two sets of indicators of which one is a basic core. Given the experience with the gaps still evident in the MDGs we would not want a repeat of that. Therefore efforts would be made to fulfil the requirement of the core set of indicators.

The proposed indicators are simply too complex and demanding for small statistical agencies. Need for policy makers and technocrats to get together and discuss more realistic targets/goals.