

Item 3 (b) "Population and housing censuses"

Intervention by Cambodia

Thank Mr. Chair,

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On behalf of Cambodia delegation we strongly support to the report of the Secretary-General on the 2010 world program on Population and Housing Censuses and preparation for the 2020 world program on population and housing censuses as well as the draft of resolution.

In this connection I would like to share a lesson learned from the Cambodia Population Census. We have learned from 2008 Cambodia Population census the cost was reduced but needed to improve the quality. This was a challenge we faced.

We are thinking that it will be a big challenge again for the next census 2018 because some development partners will phase out and some others will reduce support while the government budget is limited.

Thank you very much Mr. Chair.