SESSION 2. CONTEXT OF THE REVISION OF THE 1998 UN RECOMMENDATIONS ON STATISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

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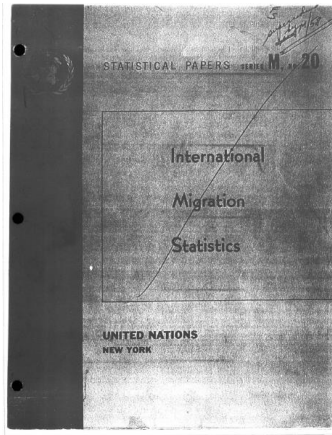UNHQ, virtual meeting, 4 – 5 & 8 – 9 June 2020

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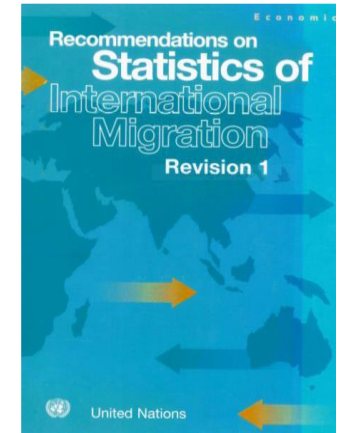
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o **To be aligned with relevant international recommendations and frameworks, such as**

- o P&Rs on Population and Housing Censuses (2017);
- o International Recommendations on Refugee Statistics (2018)
- o Guidelines concerning statistics of international labour migration (2018)

o **To better respond to data needs for policymaking and ensure data respond to key policy questions (Task Force 1)**

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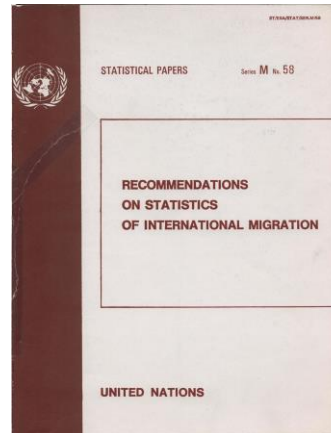UNHQ, virtual meeting, 4 – 5 & 8 – 9 June 2020

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Need for revised recommendations

o **To take into account the status of national implementation => ensure internationally-agreed concepts and definitions (Task Force 2):**

  o Build on national practices;

  o Are flexible to fit the needs of national policymaking while promoting comparability of migration statistics at the international level;

  o Improve coherence among migration measurements.

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New challenges and opportunities since 1998

Need for timely, granular and reliable data to monitor the implementation of international commitments (SDG, GCM)

Need to take into account all forms of mobility, notably of non-residents

Improving and integration of migration data systems promoting a holistic approach

Guiding countries on data dissemination and communication strategies

Potential of new data source to measure international mobility (ex: cellphone data to measure population movements)

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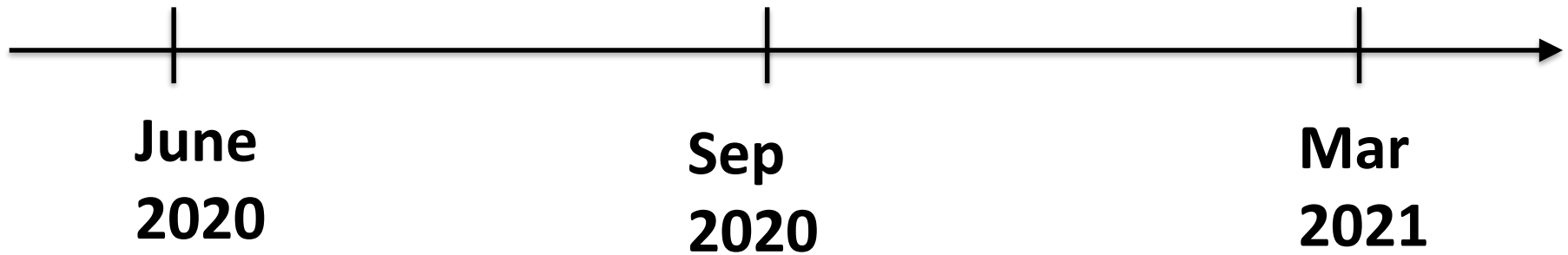UNHQ, virtual meeting, 4 – 5 & 8 – 9 June 2020

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Next steps after this meeting

Agreed concepts,
definitions, data
and indicators

Positioning paper
on relevant parts of
Recommendations

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