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<b>Informal sector statistics</b>	
<b>E/CN.3/2018/30</b>  Report of the Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics	<p>Thank you Mr/Madame Honourable Chair and distinguished delegates, ladies and gentlemen.</p> <p>Malaysia supports the future work plan of the Delhi Group as stated in the Report of the Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics. Malaysia agrees with and supports the issue relating to improve the coverage, quality and dissemination of informal economy. Like many other countries, Malaysia supports 2030 SDG Agenda which has been progressing well. Malaysia has been persistence in promoting development-oriented policies especially for the small and medium enterprises' formalisation from informal to formal economy.</p> <p>Malaysia also supports harmonisation of the country-specific criteria used to define the informal sector and informal employment in accordance with the international definition in conducting a baseline measurement of SDG tier-II indicator 8.3.1 (Proportion of informal employment in non-agriculture employment, by sex).</p> <p>Malaysia admires the substantial work carried out by the Delhi Group relating to the extension of measurement of informality in the agricultural segment, migrant workers, refugees etc. Hence, Malaysia welcomes the technical assistance support by the ILO in data collection, sample design, benchmark adjustments and processing, tabulation and dissemination practices in order to enable the full implementation of the recommendations contained in the manual.</p> <p>Malaysia agrees with the move to establish a technical working group with the role to carry out work in specific areas i.e. the entire conceptual framework of informality. Last but not least, Malaysia welcomes and salutes the</p>

proposed rename of the “Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics” to the “Delhi Group on Informal Economy Statistics”.

Thank you Mr/Madame Chair. (Thank you for your attention).