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## Integration of statistical and geospatial information

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Report of the Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information Thank you Mr/Madame honorable chair and distinguished delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Malaysia take note of the report and the progress of work of the expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information including the list of short term and long-term projects.

Department of Statistics Malaysia as a source of Malaysia's official statistics is continuing to cooperate with geospatial community to carry out works on this integration which involve data sharing, developing standards, such as the Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange, and developing a statistical geospatial and data dissemination to public.

To further enhance the capacity of Malaysia in the integration activities and sharing our experiences, we would like to participate actively in any forums/workshops/relevant activities with regards to Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information.

In general, Malaysia agrees and supports the integration of statistical and geospatial information with statistics and the initiative made by UN in the development of global geospatial information management.

In view of the huge benefits of geospatial information to the country such as providing interactive information [i.e turn statistics into knowledge] and providing informative data at small area statistics which is very useful for policymakers, we're fully recognised the importance of this document.

Based on our experience, certainly, we support the suggestion to establish an effective coordination mechanism where a group of experts will assist to meet

the challenges in linking geospatial data at various geographical level.

In enriching the collection and compilation of statistical information, steps are taken to further enhance data dissemination process using geospatial technology such geoportal and integration with linkages to a data warehouse and business intelligence. This will cater for the current and future needs of stakeholders and users

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Malaysian Centre for Geospatial Data Infrastructure (MaCGDI), as the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), plays а role to provide mechanism/infrastructure in supporting the usage and sharing of current, accurate and reliable geospatial information among agencies. At the same time DOSM moving forward to enhance the strategic partnership with related agencies e.g other government agencies, the education communities, government link companies and private sectors in order to enable the integration of statistics and geospatial.

Overall, Malaysia strongly supports on the integration of statistical and geospatial information and currently broaden the use of geospatial information and technology at all stages for the next 2020 round of census, which is during the pre-enumeration process, enumeration and post-enumeration.

Thank you Mr/Madame Chair. [Thank you for your attention]