

**Statement by**

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Mr Chair,

Malta notes the report of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime on crime and criminal justice statistics and welcomes the achievement in the field of crime and criminal justice statistics.

Mr Chair,

With regards to the implementation of road map-related activities Malta is particularly interested in the implementation of the International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purpose (ICCS) with particular focus on methods of mapping the national criminal-related legislation. To this end, we look forward for the comprehensive manual on ICCS implementation

With respect to the production of better data on gender-related homicides, Malta encourages the commission and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to closely monitor the work being conducted by other international agencies such as the European Institute for gender equality (EIGE) who are currently developing and implementing data collection procedures through established indicators list. This should be done to ensure harmonisation across institutions with an interest in such data collection as well as to avoid duplication of efforts.

Mr. Chair,

Finally, with respect to the development of guidelines for victimization surveys, the Commission and UNODC should closely monitor and assimilate the work being conducted by EUROSTAT with respect to national surveys on gender-based violence.

I thank you.