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ITEM	Report of the Bureau on working methods: Comprehensive review of the structure and functions of groups
POINT OF DISCUSSION	 (a) Whether the Commission should request the Chair of each active group to vigorously discuss the interlinkages and possible overlaps with other Chairs within the same group family and to report back on their findings and streamlining efforts and actions, and whether this should be done in a staggered manner, for example by discussing reports by pillar (economic, environmental, social or cross-cutting) each year; (b) Whether the Commission should request particular members of the Bureau
	to provide standing oversight and guidance for each pillar (with support from the Secretariat) with respect to current and potential groups, and, in this context, whether preferred arrangements for families of groups should also be discussed;
	(c) Whether the Commission should establish nomenclature (naming conventions) and guidelines for new and existing groups, based on their nature, expected outcomes and mandate;
	(d) Going forward, whether the Commission should explicitly allocate a time frame for each group that it establishes and encourage new and existing groups to work transparently, including by maintaining an updated web page.
MALAYSIA'S FEEDBACK	

Thank you Mr/ Madame honorable chair and distinguished delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen.

- 1. Malaysia would like to acknowledge the report of the Bureau on the working methods of the Statistical Commission and <u>fully supports recommendation as indicated in the report to</u> review the working methods of all types of groups operating under the auspices of the Statistical Commission, with a focus on the structure and functions of groups.
- 2. Malaysia agrees that the communication and linkages among the group, especially across pillar will help the commission to monitor the function of the group and produce more coherent and coordinated outputs, and broader international community. Furthermore, Malaysia highly agrees on the proposal of the Commission to assign particular members of the Bureau to each pillar with a view to providing standing oversight and guidance with respect to current and potential groups. In this way, with support from the Secretariat, assigned members of the Bureau could review the structure of group families within each pillar.
- 3. Malaysia also actively be a member and participated by contributing expertise in the working group such as Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers, Inter-secretariat Working Group on National Accounts, Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Statistics, London Group on Environmental Accounting, Friends of the Chair group on the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics, High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, Washington Group on Disability Statistics and Praia Group on Governance Statistics. Thank You.