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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Ghana	
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Dear Delegates, Ghana would like to express on behalf of the Africa group a contribution to the subject matter. On item (a): Africa takes note and appreciates the work conducted by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators in response to the decisions of the Commission; On item (b): Africa takes note of the background document on COVID-19 and the global indicators for the Sustainable Development Goals, the practical guide on data disaggregation for the Goals and the compilation of tools/guidance regarding existing materials for data disaggregation; Taking into account the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on national statistical systems, Africa with the lead of ECA and the support of AUC and AfDB, is undertaking actions toward the transformation and modernization of statistical systems to adequately respond to data demands arising from SDG, Africa's agenda 2063, national development plans, other agendas and frameworks. Africa would like to call for more support from development partners for the transformation and modernization process of statistical systems in the continent. On item (c): Africa supports and adopts the annual refinements as contained in the annex of the official document E/CN.3/2021/2; On item (e): Africa approves and adopt the proposed programme of work of the Expert Group for 2021. Thank you.	
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