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The Philippines congratulates our colleagues in the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building (HLG-PCCB) for the successful launch of “Global data community’s response to COVID-19: data for a changing world” at the closing session of the first virtual United Nations World Data Forum, held on 19 to 21 October 2020. We fully support the approval of the background document on the global statement. We also acknowledge the efforts of the HLG-PCCB during the public consultation and thank all the stakeholders representing the global community of data producers and users who responded and gave their inputs.

We appreciate the report of the HLG Sub-group on Data Stewardship and fully support the proposal to establish a working group. The current pandemic has challenged National Statistical Offices (NSOs) to look over and beyond their conventional role in official statistics to embrace the wider data ecosystem. The proposed working group may take the lead in the sharing of experiences and best practices in data stewardship among NSOs and within National Statistical Systems.

The Philippines also reiterates its commitment as part of the HLG-PCCB to continue its efforts in 2021 as proposed in the drafted workplan particularly the proposed meetings of the high-level group and the preparations for the UN World Data Forum to be held on 03 to 06 October 2021.

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