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**Statement:**

The international statistical community has been working towards transition from existing traditional statistical methodologies into new approaches, which utilize various data sources, such as administrative sources and big data.

In particular, the use of administrative data has been regarded as a highly effective alternative covering various sectors, needless to mention of population or establishments.

Yet, it is essential to draw active cooperation from data holders and standardize data formats.

In fact, it is not a few countries around the world that face the same issue. Therefore, the Republic of Korea supports the launch of a collaborative on the use of administrative data for statistical purposes at the global level.

It is expected that the collaborative will provide recommendations that will help member states convince data holders into cooperation and prepare adequate institutional instruments.

Furthermore, given that the field survey environment has been deteriorated due to COVID-19, a significant consideration has to be made to provide member states with technical assistance to strengthen capacities in implementing non-face-to-face surveys.

The Republic of Korea is willing to share our e-learning contents and big data training courses through our the Statistics Training Institute.

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