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The Russian Federation commends the work conducted by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) over the past year, as well as the work of all its sub-groups.

We take note that most of the SDG indicators refer to tier I, which indicates the growth of statistical capacity and the great contribution of the Expert Group to the implementation of methodological works aimed at various aspects of the Goals. Annual adjustments of particular indicators are an important element in improving the entire system and are supported without comment.

We support the UN multilingual initiative, under which the Russian Federation has provided Russian translation of the data structure definition for SDG Indicators, which will facilitate the use of SDMX for SDG indicators in all Russian-speaking countries.

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