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Statement:

Malaysia through the Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) acknowledges and appreciates the work carried out by the Committee of the Chief Statisticians of the United Nations System on coordination within the United Nations statistical system. We greatly appreciate the commitment and active participation of the Task Team through networking.

Malaysia strongly supports and agrees with the proposal of establishing the System-wide Road Map for Innovating United Nations Data and Statistics. This proposal needs to be taken seriously by all global statistical community to strengthen the coordination and modernization of the UN statistical system. **Malaysia will always provide cooperation to ensure the successful implementation of this Roadmap. DOSM has developed a statistical warehouse system known as Statistics Data Warehouse (StatsDW) to coordinate data and statistics efficiently and easily. We are very pleased to share the experience of developing this system if necessary.**

Malaysia also agreed with the idea of transforming the data.un.org portal into a single point of reference for United Nations system data in order to strengthen the position of the United Nations system as a primary provider of global data and statistics. Therefore, we would like to propose to the Statistics Division to share the technical infrastructure and skills of the transformation to the National Statistics Office as a guide and improvement at the national level. Malaysia practices on the data and metadata presentation and dissemination in details has been provided in the Items for discussion and decision paper of E/CN.3/2021/17.

In terms of data literacy, we really appreciate if the final curriculum module can be shared with committee members as a guide. Currently, Malaysia has implemented various activities and statistical literacy programs such as Statistics Talk with the government agencies, industries, researchers, universities and colleges, Stats Chat through social media, exhibition and roadshow.

Malaysia strongly supports the design and implementation of a national statistical capacity development programme, under the “One United Nations” brand, through regional and global coordination especially on use of geospatial system. We would like to participate in workshop on empowering international organizations to improve the integration and interoperability between geospatial applications and statistics.

Malaysia would like to propose ideas to be considered in the Road Map implementation such as:

- (a) Availability of ICT equipment and software capabilities at NSO to accept United Nations system
- (b) The level of skills and IT knowledge committee members in each country is different especially in technical terms.

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(c) Only data and statistics from the NSO are allowed to be included in the United Nations Statistical System

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