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**Statement:**  
RM acknowledges the need to update the conceptual framework on international migration and mobility with accompanying definitions in the context of revising the 1998 Recommendations. Thus we support the work carried out by the United Nations Statistics Division and the Expert Group on Migration Statistics on the improvement of migration statistics.

Consistent concepts and definitions related to international migration, as well as high-quality data comparable at the global level are of highest importance for effective evidence-based policies.

Republic of Moldova has access to pseudonymized data of state border crossings, with some basic characteristics and is able now to estimate international migration and we will try to estimate international mobility. However, some challenges are to be overcome like limited disaggregations (eg. place of birth, the purpose of movements), the existence of the border that is not controlled by the Moldovan authorities and the existence of multiple citizenships for a part of Moldova citizens.

Republic of Moldova supports the proposed revised conceptual framework on international migration and mobility as the basis for the revision of the 1998 Recommendations.

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