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**Statement provided by:**  
The State of Palestine

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*Unofficial translation:*

1 The State of Palestine noted the progress made in the Arab region in the field of developing statistical work, and we thank the efforts made under exceptional circumstances.

2 - The State of Palestine agrees with the need for harmonization and coordination of the priorities of statistical work in the Arab region with the strategies of the nations, in addition to the importance of using technology and employing it in the service of linking statistical information with geographical and spatial information and the use of new methods and tools for the advancement of statistical systems.

3 - The interregional statistical cooperation between the statistical divisions of the regional UN commissions was noted.

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