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<i>Statement provided by:</i> BPS-Statistics Indonesia	
<i>Statement:</i> Indonesia would like to express high appreciation to the Inter-secretariat Working Group on Household Surveys for the report. Related to the report, we have the following comments: First, related to the revised terms of reference, Indonesia suggested that the member of the working group could be expanded to represent countries with various issues and complexity that might be occur in the implementation of household surveys, e.g., multi-ethnic and multi-culture nation, geographic diversity, poor urban planning, etc. Second, regarding the collective vision of the new normal for household surveys, Indonesia suggest the working group to include the new initiative to develop alternative method for collecting household data that are statistically proven. Third, Indonesia suggest the working group to provide clear guidance for managing the issue of data transparency and privacy. In many cases other government institutions require household micro data that is needed for policy making. On the other hand, data privacy should be protected as well. The balance between confidentiality and openness is a challenge that needs to be addressed.	
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