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Sweden highly appreciates the work done by the Expert Group under the new leadership of Germany and Namibia. More so than ever before, the past year have demonstrated the importance of location in combination with socio-economic, demographic, health and mobility data to understand and manage crisis. Hence, integration of statistical and geospatial information can hardly be more topical and the work of the Expert Group more timely. Sweden welcomes the increased focus on coordination of exchange of knowledge and capacity building as well the mode of work building on Work Streams and Task Teams.

We would also like to commend the Expert Group for the excellent summaries provided in the report, elaborating on the progress and activities on regional level

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