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**Agenda item**  
Item 4(c) Climate change statistics (E/CN.3/2021/20)

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<td>Notes with appreciation the report on Climate Change Statistics.</td>
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<td>Also appreciates the attention devoted to the region, given that as low lying Small Island Developing States (SIDS), Climate Change is of utmost importance to countries of the Region;</td>
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<td>Expresses its commendations to the UNSD, particularly to its programme area on Environmental Statistics for outstanding support in general and in particular, as a follow-up to the launch of the Pilot Survey</td>
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<td>Fully supports the new structure of the draft Global Set of Climate Change Statistics, especially the opportunity it offers to &quot;graduate&quot; from basic environment statistics (which in the opinion of CARICOM countries is the foundation to all other initiatives in this area) to more sophisticated indicators.</td>
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<td>Proposes (and this impacts on the multi-year programme) changing the periodicity of this item on the agenda from every three years to annual, or at least every two years, starting next year, given the importance of this area to the CARICOM Region.</td>
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**Statement:**

Suriname on behalf of CARICOM:

Welcomes the report on Disaster-related statistics;

Also welcomes the establishment of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Disaster-related statistics, given that all CARICOM countries are low lying Small Island developing States (SIDS) and also in the context of their locations, the majority are prone to Natural Disasters;

Wishes to indicate the interest of Dominica and Suriname in being members of this Group.

Also wishes to indicate, in respect of the above, that the CARICOM Region is very satisfied with the criteria for selection of members of the Expert Group, particularly "the balanced representation from all five geographical regions and, to the extent possible, subregional representation".

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**Agenda item** | Item 4(i) National Quality Assurance Frameworks (E/CN.3/2021/26)
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**Statement:**
Suriname on behalf on CARICOM:

Welcomes the report on National Quality Assurance Frameworks;

Expresses the appreciation of the CARICOM Region with the National Quality Assurance Framework Manual for Official Statistics and the corresponding Self Assessment Checklist.

Emphasises that all of the outputs of the Expert Group on NQAF are very relevant and conducive to CARICOM’S Code of Good Statistical Practice, for which our region is in the process of moving from only self assessments to a combination of self assessments and Peer Reviews, and by extension are also reflected in the CARICOM Quality Assurance Framework.

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