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**Statement:**  
Actions to be taken by the Statistical Commission  
The Commission is invited to comment on the following:  

a. The Planning and Statistics Authority in the State of Qatar believes that what the Economic Commission for Europe has done in the field of methodological work related to the development and modernization of practical tools and the exchange of experiences, in order to support countries in implementing the road map related to the statistics of the 2030 SDGs is important and garners our support and encouragement. We consider this a step in the right direction, especially in the field of capacity-building, preparing guides and methodological reports, and providing national and international databases with modern indicators.  
In this regard, we ask the Economic Commission for Europe to shed light on the new role the NSOs will play under the data stewardship, to prepare a road map for this transformation and new responsibility, and to prepare methodological reports that help countries in preparing the national data strategy, including governance and management of that data.  
b. With regard to the outputs of methodological work, statistics on climate change and on disaster risk reduction need further research, and capacity-building needs strengthening in the mentioned areas.  
c. We express our deep interest in the Economic Commission for Europe’s work in the field of updating official statistics, and we express our appreciation for its cooperation with us in our project “Transformation in the Field of Official Statistics”, in order to update statistics in Qatar. We are pleased to continue cooperation with the Economic Commission for Europe and many of its countries.  

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