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The region appreciates the contributions highlighted in the Report of the Secretary General on the Implementation of the 2020 World Population and Housing Census Program.

The COVID-19 crisis brought with it delays in conducting the 2020 round censuses. However, NSOs in the region adapted their work, in terms of time and form of collection, human resources and use of technology, to provide timely and high-quality public information.

In this way NSOs had to accelerate their innovation processes—by incorporating more technology in data capture through mobile devices or web forms—in order to carry out their population and housing censuses, which, in many cases, will take place over the next few years.

The region is committed to implementing the censuses before 2025, with adequate levels of coverage and quality, to provide decision makers with crucial information for crisis recovery policies and contribute to the development of our countries, leaving no one behind.

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