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**Items for discussion and decision: population and housing censuses**

**Document E/CN.3/2022/8 – Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the 2020 World Population and Housing Census Programme**

<i>Statement provided by:</i> DANE-Colombia	
<i>Statement:</i> Colombia welcomes the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the 2020 World Population and Housing Census Programme, and further recognize the challenging situation that the covid-19 pandemic has imposed in countries that had planned to carry out their National Housing and Population Census.  Furthermore, Colombia encourages the Statistics Division to continue supervising the execution of the Program, developing the components of the methodological framework for Censuses of Population and Housing, and promoting international cooperation, through the exchange of experiences and mutual learning about techniques, methodologies and technologies that allow weighing the negative effects of the pandemic.  DANE carried out the National Housing and Population Census on 2018, and most recently, on August 2021, we launched our national statistical population register (Registro Estadístico Base de Población-REBP) which is composed of 34 administrative records produced by both public and private institutions. Being aware of the existing challenges, we commend the efforts made by the UNSD to build from the CES experience and develop the Handbook on Registers-Based Population and Housing Censuses, and thus encourage member states to consider the establishment of national statistical population registers	
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