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**Items for discussion and decision: civil registration, vital statistics and statelessness statistics**

**Document E/CN.3/2022/10 – Report of Expert Group on Refugee, Internally Displaced Persons and Statelessness Statistics on statelessness statistics**

<i>Statement provided by:</i> Norway	
<i>Statement:</i> Norway strongly welcomes the report from The Expert group on Refugee, Internally Displaced Persons and Statelessness Statistics (EGRISS). EGRISS is congratulated for its pioneering work on statelessness statistics. The report is an important addition to the previous work on statistics on refugees and internally displaced persons.  Norway supports the proposed framework for stateless statistics. The three categories of statelessness, undetermined nationality and stateless-related persons are introduced, together with the distinction between native-born and foreign-born people in each of the three groups. The report presents the different data sources for statelessness statistics and the advantages and drawbacks.  Norway would like to emphasize the importance of a good administrative system, preferably a population register that integrates civil registration, migrations, and nationality. This is the case in Norway. We would also emphasize that statelessness is a temporary characteristic in countries where the law and practice allow for citizenship acquisition after living in the country for a given period. In such countries, the number of registered persons may fluctuate yearly.	
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