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The Bureau of the Asia-Pacific Committee on Statistics welcomes the report of the United Nations Legal Identity Agenda task force, thanks for them for their work and recognizes the support of the task force to the Second Ministerial Conference on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific.

We note the difficulties in reporting on Covid-19 mortality in the absence of universal and continuous death registration and looks forward to the outcomes of the Technical Advisory Group on Covid-19 mortality.

We recommend the Legal Identity Agenda Task Force make reference to and incorporate the outcomes of the Second Ministerial Conference on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific, in particular the Ministerial Declaration on Building a More Resilient Future with Inclusive Civil Registration and Vital Statistics.

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