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Colombia commends the efforts undertaken by the Statistics Division, the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics, the Expert Group on Innovative and Effective Ways to Collect Time-Use Statistics, as well as on members that have been actively participating in mainstreaming the gender perspective across the International statistics Community. We firmly believe that each of the activities carried out in the last period represent major developments in the innovative production of timely, reliable, relevant gender statistics.

As such, Colombia endorses the minimum harmonized instrument for time-use surveys, developed by the Expert Group, and commends the efforts seeking to provide innovative solutions to Regarding Time-Use Surveys. Moreover, we commend the progress made by the Expert Group in providing guidance on the ways in which TUS can be modernized, and highlight the depth of the analysis carried out, and encourages member states to engage in the proceedings of the Expert Group in order to enrich the discussions.

Furthermore, we agree with the priorities laid out for the 2022-2023 period, as we consider that the finalization of the UN guidelines will allow for a more sustained and effective cooperation among stakeholders.

With regards to the proposal developed by the IAEG-GS on the integration of the gender perspective into all the agenda items of the Commission, besides sharing our eagerness to participate and commend the efforts carried out, as shared under item 3(c), it is important to underscore the willingness of the Expert Group on building on the progress and lessons learnt from the Latin American and Caribbean experience.

Finally, from the perspective of the National Statistics Office, it is necessary to emphasize that our commitment with regards to the gender and intersectional mainstreaming has been enabled thanks to the existence of exchanges of experiences at the technical and managerial levels, which have facilitated the identification of concrete actions to address the associated methodological challenges. In particular, this multi-disciplinary dialogue has been key to broaden the scope of innovative proposals, as the inclusion of an Intra-Household bargaining power module within our National Time Use Survey, highlighting that the results of this operation will be shared on March 7th.

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