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Statement:
Statistics Canada commends the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime for their 2019 report Conceptual Framework for the Statistical Measurement of Illicit Financial Flows.
Statistics Canada also appreciates the suggestion in the report that national statistical offices should be in charge of bringing the necessary stakeholders together to measure IFFs.
As indicated in the report the identification and measurement of Illicit Financial Flows is complex, relies on intelligence and enforcement operations information and involves multiple agencies. It also requires statistics beyond crime statistics and includes macroeconomic information.
Implementation will therefore be sensitive, complex and resource intensive. Statistics Canada welcomes recommendations for future work that would outline priority areas of focus or a staggered implementation of the framework. The agency would also welcome the inclusion of best practices in terms of:
a) Defining the role of the of the NSO given the complexity regarding multidisciplinary collaboration and implementation, and the sensitivity with respect to the use of enforcement data and information.
b) How to better incorporate a gender and inclusion perspective into the estimations of IFFs; it is necessary to include gender experts, women, on the planification-design of these activities.
c) More guidelines related to indicators for illegal markets and other criminal activities.
d) Best practices on how to better share and analyse financial intelligence, and undertake planning and implementation to incorporate data collection and research on illicit financial flows into the work of national statistical offices and relevant institutions.
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