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Actions to be taken by the Statistical Commission

The PSA's Feedback/Action:

The actions in Section V (page 9 of the document) includes a list of joint initiatives of the UNFCCC Secretariat with the Statistics Division and other relevant organizations to address three priorities:

1. To encourage the implementation of the global set of climate change statistics and indicators in countries;
2. To further develop the methodology and contribute towards enhanced complementarity between global, regional and national initiatives;
3. To enhance the coordination of capacity development and resource mobilization.
 - Continue to be more involved in the preparation of data submissions to the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, for supporting the implementation of the Paris Agreement;
 - Advocate to have a more central role in coordinating climate change statistics based on their mandates to produce official statistics and their role in coordinating national statistical systems;
 - Strengthen environment statistics, using the Framework for the Development of Environment Statistics (FDES 2013) as the basis for developing climate change statistics, given their close interrelationship;
 - Produce and disseminate climate change statistics via dedicated reports, websites or other means.
 - Support the work of the ECE Working Group on the core set of indicators related to climate change.
 - Observe the use of SEEA to derive the ECE climate change set of statistics to allow linkage to the economy and support analytical work, and encourage further consideration of the system, particularly in the context of developing air emission calculations.
 - We welcome the increased focus on disaster statistics given the importance of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030.

The PSA's feedback/action on supporting the adoption of the global set of climate change statistics and indicators as a framework for climate change statistics and indicators and encouraging their implementation in countries; and providing their views on the action plan that outlines the way forward:

- 1- We affirm our support for global consultations on the global set of climate change statistics and indicators in cooperation with Qatar's Ministry of Environment (the consultations were conducted by the State of Qatar to be among the 86 countries that participated in the global consultations).

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<p>2- Qatar has adopted the Environment Statistics Framework (FDES 2013), and work is underway to provide the available according to priorities of the country and available data in cooperation with the source agencies.</p> <p>3- We focus and give priority to SDG-related statistics and indicators.</p> <p>4- We affirm the continuation of the efforts of the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change with the Statistics Division in strengthening cooperation between NSOs and national authorities responsible for climate change and strengthening the link between statistics and policies at the national and international levels.</p>	
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