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The United Republic of Tanzania

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The United Republic of Tanzania, as the current Chair of the Expert Group on Environment Statistics, commends and support the great work done by the UNSD in collaboration with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in developing the Global Set of Climate Change Statistics and Indicators. The participatory, consultative and transparent approach used for both developed and developing countries during the Global Consultation was instrumental in assessing the relevance, availability and methodological soundness of the indicators and statistics of the Global Set. Joint initiatives between UNSD and UNFCCC in supporting countries during the pilot survey of the Global Set and during the meetings of the Expert Group on Environment Statistics were vital on building capacities and strengthening partnerships between National Statistics Offices (NSOs) and the national authorities responsible for reporting climate change related information.

It is well known that, demand for climate change data and the reporting requirements has increased tremendously following the adoption of the Paris Agreement which will require proper tools such as the Global Set to support countries to prepare climate change indicators and statistics to measure implementation of various policies at national, regional and international level.

In this regard, the United Republic of Tanzania welcomes the report of the Secretary-General on Climate Change Statistics (E/CN.3/2022/17) and strongly supports the adoption of the Global Set as the framework for climate change statistics and indicators and encourages its implementation in countries. We understand that given the dynamic and complex nature of climate change statistics, it will be important to review the Global Set in a few years and UNSD is poised to do this in collaboration with UNFCCC and the Expert Group. The United Republic of Tanzania is committed to use the Global Set of Climate Change Statistics and Indicators as the framework for the production of climate change statistics and for strengthening collaboration with the Vice President's Office which is responsible for reporting climate change related information to UNFCCC given the increased data requirements for the implementation of the Paris Agreement. However, Tanzania recommends international and regional communities to extend capacity building to countries to support the production of quality climate change statistics in line with the Global Set as the framework.

In addition, the National Bureau of Statistic in Tanzania is planning to use the Global Set to update its first National Climate Change Statistics Report, 2019 <https://www.nbs.go.tz/index.php/en/census-surveys/environmental-statistics/593-the-nationalclimate-change-statistics-report-2019> and is therefore encouraging other National Statistical Offices to also take on this important endeavor. In fact, for the first time, Tanzania has included climate change related questions in the next Population and Housing Census to be conducted in August 2022, demonstrating the importance of climate change and the need to collect statistics from every household and at community levels on this topic, therefore leaving no one behind. This will contribute to the monitoring of the SDG Goal 13 on climate action and the Paris Agreement.

Thank you, Chair Person, for this opportunity to submit the written statement.

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