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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Finland	
<i>Statement:</i> Finland welcomes and appreciates the substantial work carried out under the supervision of the United Nations Food Aid Organisation (FAO). This work will have substantial impact on strengthening the statistics and information systems on food security and global transition of the food production.  Finland appreciates the plans for implementation of the integrated governance structure for Data and Statistics. This leads the work to right direction on the road map, and will subsequently improve the accuracy and reliability of data and statistics.  Finland welcomes the proposal on the integrated quality assurance framework development for agricultural statistics as this will lead to more coherent data and improves the quality of statistics. Also, we would suggest that in the future work the integrated quality assurance framework could give more emphasise to the input flows of the data from countries, to better align the processes in the provision of data from countries to regional and international organisations. This would in turn develop the efficiency of the agricultural and rural statistics.	
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