## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION MALAYSIA'S FEEDBACAK NO. Agenda item 3: Review of progress by the groups responsible for the regional initiatives of the Committee with respect to the collective vision and framework for action 3a. ESCAP/CST/2018/2 Advancing official statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: progress in implementing the existing regional initiatives of the Committee on Statistics Thank you distinguished delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen. 1. Malaysia supports the two overarching strategic goals of enhancing statistical capacity development and creating a more adaptive and cost-effective information management environment for national statistical offices. 2. In relation to steering and expert groups of (a) Economic Statistics Malaysia agrees with the committee's recommendation to review the core set of economic statistics with respect to the SDG and its alignment with collective vision and framework for action. We propose a specialized task force or steering group is formed to study the gap among the member states and strategically formulate a catch-up programme to assist the Member States which still have the capacity constraint in producing minimal indicators for Core Set of Economics Statistics and also avoid the duplication activities among the steering group. Explore effective collaboration with other committees that also working on developing SDGs 2030 indicators with the ultimate goal of enhancing the capacity of National Statistical

System to support the 2030 Agenda.