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Very good morning, and Thank you very much chair

Lao delegate would like to share to the committee on the next agriculture census in Lao PDR as follows:

Lao PDR had conducted its agricultural census twice times since 1998 and recently, we preparing the third agriculture census, two previous census supported both Technical Assistant (TA) and funding from the international development partners, particular Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) via Statistics Sweden, from 1991 to 2009.

The third Agricultural Census will be constructed in end of year 2019, this census was endorsed by prime minister, and this third census is very important for Lao PDR, for policy makers; planning, researchers and public, particularly in the agriculture activities as well as both for monitoring five years plan on agriculture (2016-2020) and implementing the SDG. More important that Lao government had support budget more 60% of the total draft proposal agriculture budget.

By side that Lao Statistics Bureau had presented this census in the 27th Session of the Asia and Pacific Commission on Agricultural Statistics (APCAS) in early this year in Fiji.

The result of this census will be a fundamental statistics on monitoring and evaluating the implementing the agriculture in the past 5 years plan, as well as for the next 5 years plan and agriculture indicator for implementing SDG.

I thank you Mr. Chair.