

Country Statement – Malaysia

ITEM 3(A): PROGRESS MADE IN SUPPORT OF THE COLLECTIVE VISION AND FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION BY GROUPS RESPONSIBLE FOR REGIONAL INITIATIVES OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS AND BY THE SECRETARIAT.

Thank you Chair and good morning/afternoon everyone.

Malaysia strongly supports and encourages Development Partners involvement in ESCAP initiative to achieve regional collective vision and action framework to achieve regional collective vision and action framework to develop official statistics for Agenda 2030. Malaysia is benefiting from the jointly run programs by ESCAP and Development partners. Malaysia greatly appreciates the efforts of partners who add value to national efforts to strengthen the statistics of the implementation of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda with the aimed to support the collective vision and framework. May this cooperation continues and bearing fruits that enhance the national statistical system to produce a quality and relevant statistics for Collective Vision and 2030 Agenda.

We have identified a number of areas that need attention especially in the action area of Modernizing Statistical Business Processes and Action Area E of Having requisite skills set. We are in the opinion that the COVID19 pandemic had impacting the way statistics need to be produced and meeting the increased demand of more timely and comprehensive data and statistics in the area of economy, social and the environment. This requires quick response of NSO to meet the new demand in the unprecedented period having requisite skills set is always a challenge for NSO. As such, we welcome productive measures, initiatives and collaboration among NSOs, Development partners and ESCAP in term of enhance the capacity of NSO.

Thank You very much for your kind attention.