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To

Mrs. Chair,  
Excellencies,  
Distinguished Delegates and Colleagues,

I thank you for the opportunity to address the Commission

The 28 countries in the ECE region are home to 40% of the world's population. These host some of the world's richest countries, as well as some with a relatively low level of income. Like many other regions, it is experiencing a

. In fact, ECE with less than 20% of the world's population our region has nearly one-third of the world's population aged 65 and above. There is a continued transformation

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- ii. + e have a gender statistics database and have also launched indicators for measuring gender equality.
- iii. + e have launched a task force to collect good practices on how to communicate the uncertainty of population projections to users.
- iv. + e also coordinate methodological work on integrating the multiple data sources to measure migration.

To achieve the transformative goals of Agenda 2030, demographic data must address the disparities within and across countries, it must be disaggregated by age group, sex and location and we must focus on improving the availability and analysis of quality data at all levels. Here I can point again to our Generations and Gender Programme, and to the Joint ECE/ECFA Active Ageing Index project.

When it comes to delivering for the Agenda 2030, partnerships are of high importance. ECE has a close collaboration with DESA, FAO – not least the