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## Chapeau

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The Chapeau should recognize that the lack of affordable housing, inadequate and insecure housing, and homelessness are present in every Member State and present a major impediment to achieving multiple Sustainable Development Goals. Homelessnesslissianensionaland intersectional issue, laying at the nexus of poverty and inequality, lack of economic opportunity, lack of access to education, gendaesed violence, problematic substance use, mental and physical health, the commoditization of housinigcomination and social exclusion, decreasing investments in social protection floors, and more. Addressing homelessness requires 4 (e) TJ /TT3 1

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efforts to develop comprehensive guidance on policies and programs to address homelessness,