

Statement made by Mr. Andrei TUDOREL, President of the Romanian National Institute for Statistics

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Madame Chair,

I have the pleasure to congratulate you for your appointment as Chair of the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Statistical Commission.

Romania aligns itself with the Declaration made by Malta on behalf of the EU and its Member States.

First of all, I want to appreciate the quality of the resolution on the **Work of the UN Statistical Commission pertaining to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**. The document is very clear and it will represent the support in developing the official statistics in our countries.

Secondly, we consider that developing a monitoring system of the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals is a good opportunity to increase the capacity of official statistics at national level.

Thirdly, we support a good communication of the results of this process of monitoring at national level as it is a good way to increase transparency within the whole society and the prestige of official statistics.

Finally, I want to express our full support for the resolution.