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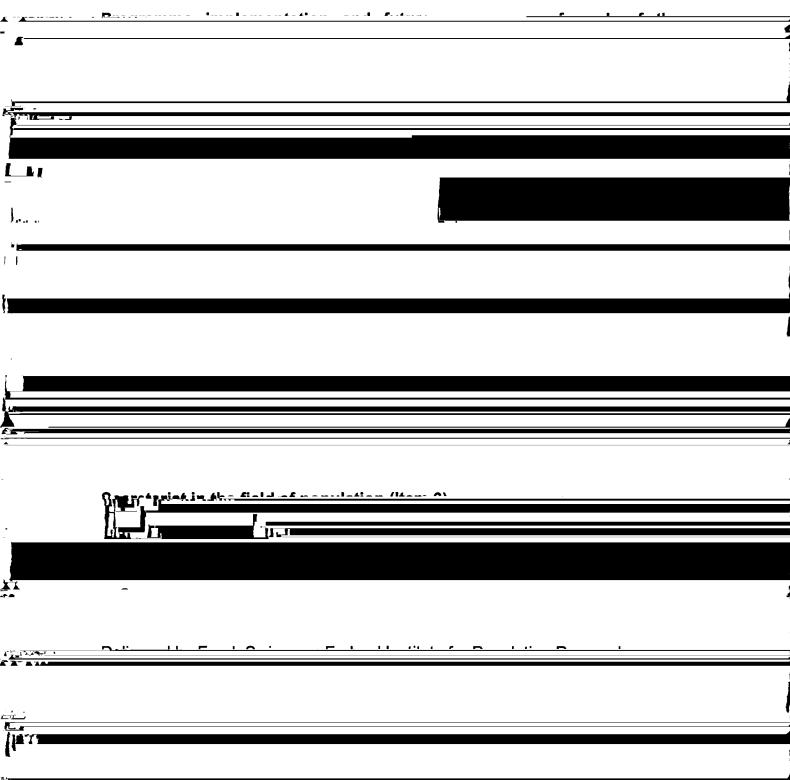**to the United Nations**
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that will leave no one behind. A total of 169 targets monitored by statistical indicators impose an unprecedented request on the statistical system at the international, regional and national level. Especially the disaggregation of data by income, age, gender, migratory status, health status, and disability, geographic location, including urban and rural, among others are key to identify those in vulnerable situations who are under threat of being left behind

However, there is still a long way to go in order to achieve the ambitious goals set for quantitative as well as qualitative data sources and to make sure that there is sufficient capacity for adequate analysis. The estimates and projections of the World Population Prospects and the other comprehensive data sets prepared by the Population Division are a fundamental base. We

would like to encourage continued efforts towards their further improvement.

Germany has recently further strengthened its focus on using demographic

data for the analysis of population dynamics in development cooperation, in

data for demographic analysis as a basis for informed development planning. Comparative data across countries at the subnational level is still mostly lacking and we would like to encourage all producers of data to combine efforts to improve the availability of spatially disaggregated data. Free and unrestricted access to data is essential to allow academia and civil society to play a crucial role in development.