



10 May 2017

Dear Mr. Lehohla,

Collaboration between Statistics South Africa and UN on SDGs

Please accept my appreciation of the warm welcome and productive meeting your team held with the UN team on the 25th April 2017. Based on discussions, the team agreed on the following:

1. Preparing and signing an MOU or letter of Agreement charting out details of technical collaboration: In principle, the team agreed to formalize the collaboration, the draft letter of agreement will be prepared by Stats SA team for review by all team members.
2. Comments on the Draft Baseline Indicators Framework: I would like to congratulate you and your team for a comprehensive set of SDGs indicators, more so the domesticated indicators. The team, however observed that some key and relevant global indicators are missing, the addition of which would promote more inclusiveness and very good tracking of progress towards achieving SDGs and NPD. Attached are the general and specific comments on the draft Baseline Indicators Framework and my team stands ready to further elaborate and engage on the framework and the comments.
3. Participation in Sector Working Groups: Please find attached a matrix delineating UN Agencies' alignment or contribution to the different Sectoral Working Groups. It is proposed that two UN Agencies will represent the entire UN in each SWG and proposed representation is reflected in the matrix.

I reiterate UN commitment to working with Statistics South Africa closely towards effective, monitoring and reporting of the SDGs 2030 in South Africa.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gana FOFANG', is written over the typed name and title.

Gana FOFANG
Resident Coordinator

Mr. Pali LEHOHLA
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cc: Ms. Yandiswa Mpetsheni, Acting DDG: SANSS