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Distinguished Participants of the OIC-SC,

It gives us great pleasure and honour to welcome you to this beautiful city of Istanbul, Turkey on the occasion of the First Session of the OIC Statistical Commission (OIC-SC) which is a platform for strengthening collaboration and cooperation among National Statistical Organisations (NSO) of the OIC Member Countries.

We expect participants to share ideas, experiences and best practices on a range of statistical issues and challenges facing the NSOs of the OIC Member Countries with a view to improve and effectively manage their national statistical systems. Discussions will also focus on improving relationship between the NSOs and international organisations.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to the NSOs of the OIC Member Countries and the international organisations for their support and interest in the success of the First Session of the OIC-SC.

We truly look forward to your active participation in the First Session of the OIC-SC.

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