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Dear National Data Coordinator,

We are writing to you as part of a global consultation process on statistics to be published for your country in the fourth *Global status report on road safety*.

The World Health Organization (WHO) would like to thank you for your participation in this report. We realize that this has been a lot of work, coordinating input from multiple sectors and required a considerable commitment on your part. As you will recall, the *Global status reports* respond to the request contained within UNGA Resolution A/RES/64/255, whereby WHO was asked to coordinate the monitoring of the impact of the Decade of Action for Road Safety. The three existing *Global status reports* are the only worldwide assessments of road safety, and as such have generated considerable attention at national and international levels, serving as important tools in stimulating action on improving road safety in a number of Member States. This fourth *Global status report* is planned for launch in November of this year. Further information on the launch will be available in due course. The report is especially important as the Decade of Action draws to an end, and will thus assess how far countries around the world have come in implementing the specific actions outlined in the Global Plan for the Decade of Action.

We received data from 175 Member States for the fourth *Global status report on road safety*. In order to estimate the actual total road injury deaths for countries, regions and the world and to make these data comparable across countries in terms of (a) coverage, (b) definitions, (c) under-reporting and (d) the year for which the data was submitted, we have undertaken a statistical estimation of the total road injury deaths for 2016 using the data submitted by Member States. The precise details of the estimation process employed are contained in Attachment 1.

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For your country, the road traffic fatality data which will appear within the report are as follows:

- Reported number of deaths (for 2016): 581
- Estimated total road traffic injury deaths point estimate and range (for 2016): 599
- Estimated total road traffic fatality rate per 100 000 population (for 2016): 15.3

We are sending you these numbers for advance information, as well as to gather possible comments from relevant persons in your country. In order to improve the country estimates, as a principle, our policy is to consider any comments supported by evidence, or by new data for which the source and method of collection is provided assuming this relates to the year for which we are publishing data (2016). While we welcome feedback and advice on the methodology attached, we are unable to make adjustments to these methods specifically for individual countries.

Should you have any feedback please do not hesitate to contact Anesh Sukhai on sukhaia@who.int by 20 June 2018. Any submission made after this date may not be considered in the final publication of the country estimates.

Please note that the total road traffic fatality estimates that will be published in the fourth *Global status report on road safety* will also serve as WHO's road traffic fatality estimates in the next update on all causes of mortality (Global Health Estimates).

We are making all efforts to provide the world with a report that is as accurate as possible and are very grateful for your contributions and collaboration in this regard.

Thank you in advance for your feedback.

Yours sincerely,



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