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### Implementation and adoption of standards for the global geospatial information community (for discussion and decision)

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Dear Distinguished Members, Observers and Colleagues,

Data standards are one important way in which we as Member States can connect our data with one another. When we do this, we support solutions to global and cross-border challenges, whether that be showing progress against the Sustainable Development Goals, responding to internationally significant disasters, or even simply sharing depictions of our jurisdictions with one another. We also make it easy for anyone, anywhere in the world to contribute their own solutions to such challenges, and for others to easily use those solutions.

Australia strongly supports the development and endorsement of standards that promote accountability, compliance of practice with international law, and openness of data. Australia encourages the Committee to support the recommendations made by the Standards Development Organisations in this paper, in order to ensure that the data standards we use continue to remain a useful tool for us to achieve our mutual goals.

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