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The United States appreciates the progress made by the Working Group on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters and acknowledges the importance and impact of the Working Group's accomplishments to include continued efforts to facilitate the implementation of the Strategic Framework on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters and the completion of the Strategic Framework Assessment. The results of the Assessment will prove to be a valuable resource to the disaster community, having already supported the completion of case studies illustrating how Earth observation (EO) data can complement existing government data in assessing risk trends over time, through collaboration with various international bodies to include the Group on Earth Observations (GEO) and Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS).

We recognize the efforts involved in developing an updated workplan for the period 2021 – 2023 and encourage included activities such as the inventory of disaster risk reduction organizations, services and platforms, and a focus on the integration of geospatial information and services with disaster-related statistics.

The United States continues to support the vision of the Working Group to improve the availability of accurate, reliable geospatial information and services to reduce disaster risk in all its dimensions.

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