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To the Universal DPI Safeguards Secretariat,

50-in-5 is a global campaign dedicated to supporting 50 countries to design, launch, and scale safe, inclusive, and interoperable digital public infrastructure (DPI) in five years. Ensuring that DPI continues to serve the best interest of people everywhere and aptly prepares decision makers to thoughtfully navigate risks is integral to the success of the campaign. For this reason I am pleased to provide support for the Universal DPI Safeguards Framework.

50-in-5's goal is to bring countries together so they can collaborate by sharing learnings, best practices and in some cases – technologies itself. Doing so will help participating countries scale foundational DPI components, including digital identity, payment systems, and data exchange mechanisms, in a manner that can ultimately reduce costs, shorten implementation timelines, and maximise societal impact.

We recognize not only the transformative potential of digital public infrastructure – but also the risks associated with poorly designed DPI, such as systemic exclusion, loss of privacy, and erosion of public trust. Through 50-in-5, countries are supported and encouraged to embed robust safeguards across all lifecycle stages of national DPI projects.

Through facilitated learning exchanges and knowledge products 50-in-5 aligns its campaign principles with the Universal DPI Safeguards Framework. We support its core lifecycle stages and safeguarding principles as important guardrails for building safe and inclusive digital public infrastructure.

In aligning with the Universal DPI Safeguards Framework, 50-in-5 is undertaking the the following:

- Embed Universal Safeguards principles into 50-in-5 knowledge sharing events and resources to assist countries at every phase of DPI design, deployment, and scaling.
- Promote inclusive design processes that actively engage with civil society organisations, local tech ecosystems, and underrepresented groups, especially women and youth, to guarantee equity and accessibility.

- Encourage countries to strengthen institutional capacity, implement safeguards-by-design, and establish robust recourse and redress mechanisms for all users of DPI systems, and provide actionable resources to do so.
- Advocate for the use and discovery of digital public goods (DPGs) and open standards built on safe infrastructure, accelerating progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals and long-term societal value.

To serve as the designated focal point for ongoing coordination, monitoring, and reporting, I designate myself:

- **Name:** Jon Lloyd
- **Title:** Director of 50-in-5

I look forward to working closely with the DPI Safeguards Initiative, UN entities, participating countries, and ecosystem partners to ensure digital infrastructure worldwide is safe, inclusive, and interoperable by design.

Sincerely,

Jon Lloyd
Director of 50-in-5