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**Subject:** AEM request formal nomination to vice-chair CEOS WGCapD

Mexico City, August 3, 2023

**Mr. Jorge del Rio Vera  
CEOS WGCapD Chair**

Dear Mr. Jorge del Rio,

Following on the letter we sent you on July 20 expressing AEM´s interest in presenting a candidate to take the role of vice-chair at CEOS´s Working Group on Capacity Building and Data Democracy (WGCapD) and, considering that this was discussed as an agenda item at the WGCapD monthly coordination call on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, I wish to request CEOS to formally consider AEM´s candidacy of Mr. Julio César Castillo Urdapilleta who is currently the Space Security Director at AEM, for the position of vice-chair of WGCapD for the term 2023 – 2025.

We understand that the commitment of this task is for four years (2 years vice-chair plus 2 years chair) starting at CEOS Plenary 2023 and concluding at CEOS Plenary 2027. It is of our knowledge that the role and tasks of vice-chair includes amongst others, to support the chair in all the different assignments performed by the working group, and as chair, to lead all the activities of the group and perform tasks such as preparing work plan for the WG once a year, organize monthly meetings, prepare the minutes of the meeting, to draft any other relevant document related to the activities of the WG. Please find enclosed Julio´s bio for your reference.

Having said the above, I kindly request CEOS to include AEM´s candidacy as an agenda item for the forthcoming 37<sup>th</sup> CEOS Plenary that will take place in Chiang Rai, Thailand on 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Should you have any further comments, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Sincerely,

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