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| Proposal by the People's Republic of China | |
| **Recommendations on the development of ITU Guidelines for utilization of the Global CyberSecurity Agenda** | |

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| Summary  ITU, as a specialized agency of the United Nations in ICTs and a facilitator of WSIS C5, should play a more important role in building confidence and security in the use of ICTs. Considering the important role of the Global Cybersecurity Agenda and its utilization guidelines for the work of ITU in cybersecurity, we propose that informal consultations be held again during the current session of the Council to address the outstanding issue(s), if any, left over from the informal consultations on 14 March, to facilitate the adoption of the Guidelines by the Council at this meeting so as to use it to guide the relevant work of ITU as soon as possible.  Action required  The Council is invited to consider this contribution and take action, as appropriate.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **References**  Global Cybersecurity Agenda (GCA) |

Background

In October 2019, ITU secretariat started the preparation of guidelines for the utilization of the Global Cybersecurity Agenda and invited Member States to provide support. On 23 April 2020, the ITU Secretariat organized WSIS multistakeholders to hold an online meeting on open measures to discuss the draft guidelines for the use of the Global Cyber Security Agenda. Subsequently, the ITU secretariat revised and improved the draft guidelines based on the feedback, and submitted it to the virtual consultation meeting of ITU Council in 2021 for consideration. After the meeting, the members of the Council requested the secretariat to continue to seek the opinions of the members of the Council on the utilization draft guidelines, and to submit a revised draft at the next Council meeting while taking into account the inputs of all parties.

To this end, the ITU secretariat held informal consultations on 8, 14 and 15 February 2022 to discuss the draft guidelines for the utilization of GCA. Based on the discussion results, the secretariat edited and formulated Document 32 (C22/32).

We have noted that the current version of the draft utilization guidelines has taken into account the developments and changes in ICT technology and industry in the past decade and can provide guidance for ITU to use the Global Cybersecurity Agenda in the future. We have also noted that, at the informal consultation meeting held in February this year, there were still some different opinions among the members of the Council as to the contents of the draft, and there were still some issues yet to be addressed in Document 32.

Proposal

ITU, as a specialized agency of the United Nations in ICTs, and a facilitator of WSIS C5, should play a more important role in building confidence and security in the use of ICTs. Considering the important role of the Global Cybersecurity Agenda and its utilization guidelines for the work of ITU in cybersecurity, we propose that:

1 the Council should adopt the Guidelines and use it to guide the relevant work of ITU as soon as possible; and

2 the Council should continuously update and revise the Guidelines of the Global Cybersecurity Agenda, taking into account the ongoing development of cyber technology and the changes in the cybersecurity situation.

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