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The Center for AI and Digital Policy is a global research organization advising national governments and international organizations on AI and digital policy. Our aim is to promote democratic values, the rule of law, and fundamental rights. We publish an annual report that reviews and assesses AI policies and practices around the world.

We have closely followed the work of the G20 on AI policy. We have commended the G20 for the AI Guidelines (2019) and the commitment of the Digital Ministers to Privacy Enhancing Technologies that safeguard personal data. We also recognize the support of G20 nations for the UNESCO Recommendation on AI. The G20 Leaders Statements have repeatedly emphasized the need for human-centric and trustworthy AI.

For the C20 2023, we recommend that civil society groups urge G20 leaders to endorse “red lines” for certain AI deployments that violate fundamental rights. These include social scoring, mass surveillance, predictive policing, and biometric categorization. We also ask the C20 to urge leaders to prohibit the deployment of lethal autonomous weapon systems. There is growing recognition around the world of the need for world leaders to address this challenge.

We also ask the C20 to encourage leaders to promote fairness, accountability, and transparency for all AI systems, particularly for public services. G20 leaders should adopt new laws to ensure algorithmic transparency and to limit algorithmic bias so that unfair treatment is not embedded in automated systems.

AI is shaping not simply our digital world but the opportunities for people around the world for employment, education, travel, credit, housing, and basic freedoms. Our leaders should ensure that these systems protect fundamental rights and public safety,

We hope that these recommendations will be incorporated in the C20 proposals for the G20 leaders.

Thank you for your consideration.