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RESPONSE TO THE CABINET OFFICE CONSULTATION ON TRANSFORMATIONAL GOVERNMENT

Informed Solutions has read the consultation document on a strategy for 'Transformational Government-enabled by technology' with great interest. As a leading consultancy company in the field of promoting greater business, including government business, efficiency through technological change, we are very pleased and encouraged to see this strategy receive the endorsement of the Prime Minister.

As members of the Association of Geographic Information, AGI, we are aware of, and support, the response being submitted by the AGI Director on behalf of the membership. This deals in detail with a range of issues of direct relevance to the GI community and we will not repeat them here, other than to note that we are particularly pleased to note the reference in the Strategy to the importance of the new GI Panel, reporting to an ODPM Minister.

On a broader level we are pleased to see the extensive structure which is being put in place to deliver the Strategy. We would put forward a plea for the membership of the new Groups and Boards to include representation from that part of the private sector which is directly contributing to the technological transformation of government activities. We would of course be very keen to contribute to developing the Strategy and helping make it work.

Over recent years we have carried out a number of very successful projects with Central Government Departments and are very aware of the need for collaboration between the sectors so that private sector knowledge and skills can contribute to Government transformation. This belief is behind our support for the AGI and other bodies such as PITCOM.

Yours sincerely

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