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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Re: Cybersecurity Association South Africa (CSA)

The Embassy of the Czech Republic in Pretoria is pleased to express its support for Cybersecurity Association South Africa (CSA), an initiative of bodhi.style s.r.o., a company incorporated in the Czech Republic and founded by Mr Tomáš Vaňourek, its Chief Executive Officer based in South Africa, and Mr Jan Tausl, its Chief Technology Officer.

CSA operates as an independent cyber intelligence platform focused on South Africa. Through its Cybersecurity Radar, it monitors international and South African sources on a continuous basis and translates developments in the field of cybersecurity into concise, plain language assessments for decision makers, including their relevance for South Africa and their relationship to the Protection of Personal Information Act and the Cybercrimes Act. CSA further hosts a series of conversations with practitioners and leaders in the field and is developing a network of vetted security service providers.

Cybersecurity is one of the areas in which the Czech Republic has built a strong international reputation. Some of the world's most widely used security software, including Avast and AVG, originated in the Czech Republic, and the country is home to a vibrant ecosystem of companies offering solutions in threat detection and network monitoring, encryption and secure communications, and the protection of critical infrastructure. This is underpinned by the National Cyber and Information Security Agency (NÚKIB), by leading academic centres such as Masaryk University in Brno with its KYPO cyber range for training and simulation, and by CZ.NIC, the developer of widely used open source security and network technologies. Czech expertise in this field is thus both practical and proven, and highly relevant for partners facing an evolving threat landscape.

The Embassy therefore welcomes initiatives such as CSA, which bring this expertise closer to South Africa. Improving access to reliable and understandable information on cyber threats and regulatory obligations, particularly for businesses and public sector decision makers, contributes to a safer digital environment and reflects the type of practical, knowledge based cooperation that the Embassy seeks to encourage between Czech companies and South African partners. CSA operates as a privately owned and independent platform, and this letter is intended as an expression of the Embassy's general support for its mission.

Should further information be required, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,