

January 27, 2025

The Honorable Ted Cruz  
Chairman  
Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 554  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Maria Cantwell  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
Russell Senate Office Building, Room 254  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Cruz and Ranking Member Cantwell,

We, the undersigned associations and groups, write to express our strong support for the nomination of Mr. Michael Kratsios to serve as Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP).

Mr. Kratsios possesses extensive experience and a profound understanding of the pivotal role innovation plays in maintaining and advancing America's global leadership. As Chief Technology Officer of the United States during the previous administration, he spearheaded the development of critical policies aimed at ensuring American dominance in emerging industries. His tenure was marked by a commitment to fostering technological advancements that enhance U.S. competitiveness and by a demonstrated capacity for collaborative, bipartisan engagement.

Notably, Mr. Kratsios led national initiatives in artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and broadband, including efforts to drive the next generation of connectivity. He was the architect of the American AI Initiative, the national strategy for promoting American leadership in AI, and oversaw the implementation of the bipartisan National Quantum Initiative Act, including the establishment of a new National Quantum Coordination Office in the White House. Additionally, he led efforts to integrate drones into the national airspace system and launched the COVID-19 High Performance Computing Consortium to accelerate scientific discovery in the fight against the virus.

Upon confirmation, we are confident that Mr. Kratsios will continue to drive essential technology initiatives that bolster U.S. leadership, support the American workforce, and secure prosperity and security for all citizens.

At this pivotal moment for emerging technologies, Mr. Kratsios stands out as an exemplary choice to lead OSTP. We respectfully urge the Committee to expedite his review and confirmation for this vital role.

Sincerely,

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