

DRAFT EXECUTIVE ORDER

ADVANCING HUMAN FLOURISHING AND TRUSTWORTHINESS IN AMERICAN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE THROUGH A NATIONAL STANDARD

Section 1. Purpose: The American Standard of Human Flourishing.

As outlined in America's AI Action Plan, the United States is poised to lead an industrial revolution, an information revolution, and a renaissance simultaneously. To secure victory in this race, we must do more than simply outpace our adversaries in raw capabilities; we must define the moral and practical standard by which this technology serves a free people. We believe that in the area of moral principles and trustworthiness, the United States can set a global standard in Artificial Intelligence that China cannot compete with.

Therefore, it is the policy of this Administration that "Human Flourishing"—defined as the enhancement of American national security, middle class economic prosperity, family health, and human well-being—shall be the primary objective of national AI policy. This incredible technology should empower American workers, families, and communities, and should be designed with respect to the great religious traditions of the American people. To achieve this, the Administration will build a national framework that harmonizes State and Federal efforts to build trust and facilitate transparent, democratic governance.

Section 2. Establishing Sector-Specific AI Policy Councils.

To ensure AI policy is tailored to the specific needs of the American economy, the Secretaries of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, Energy, Commerce, Housing and Urban Development, and other relevant agencies shall establish dedicated AI Policy Councils within their jurisdictions.

- **Composition:** These Councils shall devolve power to the citizenry. Membership must include significant representation from non-industry stakeholders, including family policy advocates, faith-based leaders, and labor organizations.
- **Mandate:** Each Council shall develop domain-specific federal standards that prioritize Human Flourishing. These standards will inform new laws, relaxation or obsolescence of existing laws, regulatory rule making, and funding priorities. Council membership and focus should give voice to Main Street American values and concerns, including but not limited to kids' safety, AI-induced psychosis and social risks, AI job displacement, deskilling, commercial and workplace surveillance, and loss of human agency to black-box AI systems. Any recommendation advanced by these Councils must undergo a

public review process akin to "notice and comment," ensuring input from the American public and full transparency before adoption.

Section 3. Embed "Human Flourishing" Into the Foundation of the National AI Standard

To win the trust of the American people—an essential prerequisite for rapid AI adoption—

Agencies and their Councils must embed the following pillars into all policy recommendations:

- **Mitigating Social Risk:** Proactively addressing impacts on issues, including but not limited to, children's safety and development, mental health, deskilling, job displacement, erosion of human agency, and community cohesion.
- **Preventing Catastrophic Risk:** Ensuring the resilience of American critical infrastructure and cyberspace against AI-based threats, and ensuring American AI is reliable and secure.
- **Devolution of Power:** Ensuring AI is controlled—to the maximum extent possible—by the people and communities who depend on it, and not by a handful of technology companies.
- **Design for Flourishing:** Moving beyond "harm reduction" to mandate that AI systems are designed to affirmatively enhance human freedom, agency, sociality, capability, creativity, and labor productivity.

Section 4. Coordination by the Vice President and APST.

The Vice President, supported by the Assistant to the President for Science and Technology (APST), shall serve as the Chair of this interagency effort. To maintain the public trust and integrity of this process, it must be led by elected or Senate-confirmed appointments. The Vice President shall coordinate the Agency Councils to ensure their recommendations align with the national strategy of America's AI Action Plan. This coordination will strictly enforce limits on corporate lobbying influence, ensuring that our national standards reflect the public interest.

Section 5. The Federal-State AI Partnership.

A fragmented regulatory landscape creates uncertainty that slows innovation and hands the advantage to America's adversaries. Therefore, I am establishing a Federal-State AI Working Group, to be co-chaired by the Director of OSTP and representatives from organizations, such as the National Governors Association (NGA), the National Association of Attorneys General, the National Council of State Legislatures, and the National League of Cities.

- **Mission:** Identify areas where state innovation can inform national policy.
- **Objective:** The Group will work to identify state policy best practices and recommend regulatory frameworks that respect states's rights and their role as "laboratories of democracy," while working cooperatively to reduce unnecessary regulatory patchworks. The council will also work to coordinate federal resources, including technical expertise, to aid states in developing smart emerging tech policy and enforcement strategies.

Section 6. Aligning Innovation with Main Street Economics.

Consistent with America's AI Action Plan's focus on the American worker, Agencies shall prioritize deregulatory measures specifically where tech industry incentives align with human flourishing. Deregulation should be a tool to lower costs for consumers, accelerate the construction of AI infrastructure (energy and compute), and protect national security. The Genesis Mission is a good example of positive AI acceleration.

Section 7. Convening Industry Leaders for Accountability and Trust.

The United States Government shall utilize its convening power to bring the executives of major AI developers to the table with leaders from civil society and labor. This dialogue will be a working mechanism to foster accountability for an industry that has lost the trust of Main Street Americans. This will ensure that the companies benefitting from American energy and infrastructure maintain their social contract with the American people, prioritizing safety, objective truth, and human free speech in their systems, and that these systems will be deployed to achieve broad prosperity, rather than the narrow enrichment of the AI industry.

Section 8. Legislative Roadmap and Incremental Preemption.

To cement these gains, the Vice President and the Director of OSTP shall synthesize the recommendations of the Agency Councils into a "National Standard on AI" package of legislative and executive proposals for immediate action .

- **Timing:** Within 100 days of this order, the VP and APST shall submit to the President a legislative package to achieve the policy set forth in this Executive Order.
- **Structure:** The legislation and follow on Executive Orders will propose a framework of **incremental preemption**. Federal law will establish a robust national "floor" for areas like safety and civil rights, ensuring consistency for businesses, while explicitly reserving the right of States to innovate above that floor. Any preemption would accompany and be proportional to domain-specific floors established by Congress. This approach balances the need for a unified national market with the constitutional prerogatives of the States.