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Hiring Committee, Development Economics Data Group, World Bank, Washington, DC.

## Dear Hiring Committee,

I, Israel Ropo Orimoloye, am writing to express my interest in the Short-Term Consultant position for Satellite Imagery with the World Bank. With a robust background in remote sensing, GIS, and data science, I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to innovative projects that use satellite imagery to address complex development challenges. My expertise in synthetic aperture radar (SAR) data, data processing, and visualization, combined with a strong understanding of data science principles, makes me a strong candidate for this position.

In my current and previous roles, I have worked extensively with satellite imagery and geospatial data analysis. My experience includes processing SAR data to conduct damage assessments, identifying new construction in conflict zones, and developing custom indicators to track changes over time. I have also been responsible for extracting, processing, and visualizing satellite imagery from various sources, as well as conducting cost-benefit analyses to determine the most effective ways to procure and utilize such data for different projects. I am particularly passionate about applying these technical skills to generate meaningful insights that can improve development outcomes.

Key qualifications that I would bring to this role include:

- Satellite Imagery & SAR Data Analysis: Extensive experience in using SAR data for damage assessment and new construction identification, as well as extracting and processing imagery from diverse sources.
- Data Science & Coding Proficiency: Advanced skills in Python for data processing and visualization, with a strong emphasis on creating reproducible code and collaborating in GitHub.
- **Innovative Problem-Solving**: Proven track record of developing new methodologies and solutions to address data gaps, particularly in regions affected by conflict.
- Clear Communication & Documentation: Strong ability to communicate technical findings clearly to stakeholders, while maintaining well-documented code and visualizations to ensure reproducibility.
- Collaboration & Knowledge Sharing: Experience working in collaborative, crossfunctional teams and actively sharing knowledge and insights to enhance the impact of data science projects.

I am particularly drawn to the World Bank's mission of using data to improve lives and livelihoods, and I believe my skills in satellite imagery and data analysis align well with the goals of the Data Lab and its focus on developing Data Goods. I am confident that my technical expertise, problem-solving ability, and collaborative approach would allow me to contribute effectively to your team.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my experience and skills align with the needs of your team.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to the World Bank's data science initiatives.

Sincerely,

Israel Ropo Orimoloye.