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**Re: Proposal for a New Orientation of the Terrestrial Reference Frame**

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of Morris Kolman, citizen of the United States, we petition the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management to adopt a new orientation for the Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF) such that longitudes are redefined by a westward rotation of approximately 29 degrees relative to ITRF2020.

Should, for technical, logistical, or bureaucratic reasons, a full and immediate reorientation is not feasible, the petitioner finds it sufficient to define a new projection of New York North with a formally recognized, Manhattan-aligned projected coordinate system constructed by rotating the reference meridian by  $\sim 29^\circ$ , thereby establishing a cartographic 'true north' appropriate to the cultural and urban orientation of New York City.

Sincerely,



Aaron Leibrock