



April 24 Meeting Request: UAE Minister of Artificial Intelligence

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Good morning [REDACTED]

I hope this note finds you both well on this beautiful Tuesday. My name is Hagir Elawad; I handle Legislative & Political-Military Affairs for the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates and H.E. Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba (UAE Ambassador to the US).

I'm writing today to request a senior staff meeting with you and a few other senior staff from member offices within the AI caucus for the UAE's Minister of Artificial Intelligence- yes, we have one of those! H.E. Omar bin Sultan Al Olama will be coming to DC next week to speak on a panel at the Atlantic Council's [International Conference on Cyber Engagement \(ICCE\)](#), taking place on Tuesday, April 23, and **will be available for Hill meetings on Wednesday, April 24 between 10:30-1:30**. We would have loved for His Excellency to meet with Congressmen McNerney and Olson to share with them directly the UAE's National Strategy for AI and truly inspiring progress in this area, but hopefully next time around.

In the meantime, we think this would be a great opportunity for him to share with senior staff these details as well as the areas of partnership with the United States in AI. Please let me know if you would be able and willing to bring together a few other senior staff (10 or less ideally) for a meeting and discussion with Minister Al Olama, and if the above window works for you. We have a few other pending meetings for him and could try to accommodate a better time if necessary. I know a number of staff in the other offices and will plan to reach out to them as well, but will wait to hear from you.

You can find Minister Al Olama's biography here: <https://uaecabinet.ae/en/details/cabinet-members/his-excellency-omar-bin-sultan-al-olama>

And details on the UAE's National Strategy for AI, here: <https://government.ae/en/about-the-uae/strategies-initiatives-and-awards/federal-governments-strategies-and-plans/uae-strategy-for-artificial-intelligence>

I look forward to hearing from you.

Warm Regards,

~Hagir

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