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Dear Ms Lin and Mr Mkinsi,

We want to thank you for the liaison introducing your new standard project to the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group. We view the work in F5G as largely complementary to our work, as the F5G project will look at the whole system from a big picture perspective of the future all-fibre network, while IEEE 802.3 focuses on the PHY and MAC layers of LAN and MAN systems. The IEEE 802.3 working group has a long history of developing a wide array of high performance and economically feasible optical interfaces. We are confident that many of these will form an important part of the F5G network.

We look forward to continued coordination on the development of standards for fixed networks. Specifically, we should exchange periodic reviews of our progress via liaisons. Also, if you find any standardization gaps that are within our scope, this would also be of key interest to us, as it could form the basis for a Call for Interest.

Sincerely,
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Chair, IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group

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