Thank you for your efforts to improve an invaluable framework. For context, I provide advice to SMBs in Canada and act as the CIO for one of my customers.

I have the following comments:

- I strongly support the inclusion of the Governance area. I often find myself trying to fit governance issues into one of the other areas (usually Identify) so having a proper home for governance and items such as policies is welcome.
- As an advisor to SMBs, I also support recognition that the framework now "officially" is expanded beyond critical infrastructure.
- I also welcome the increased recognition of supply chain issues and I have a specific suggestion in that regard. It would be very useful to have sample contract language to be included with our technology suppliers. Or, if not language, then the principles that should be included. The logical spot would be in the Implementation Examples for GV.SC.

Small organizations have little leverage with large suppliers and having NIST supported principles or language would be helpful.

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