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Subject: Transparency

Dear Andrew and Jon:

We are writing regarding Public Interest Registry's (PIR) 14 November 2019 notification relating to the proposed acquisition of PIR (the "Request"). As we are sending PIR a detailed request for additional information today, we wanted to encourage you to answer these questions fully and as transparently as possible.

As you are well aware, transparency is a cornerstone of ICANN and how ICANN acts to protect the public interest while performing its role. In light of the level of interest in the recently announced acquisition of PIR, both within the ICANN community and more generally, we continue to believe that it is critical that your Request, and the questions and answers in follow up to the Request, and any other related materials, be made public.

While PIR has previously declined our request to publish the Request, we urge you to reconsider. We also think there would be great value for us to publish the questions that you are asked and your answers to those questions. We will of course provide you with the opportunity to redact portions of the documents that you believe contain personally identifiable information before posting and renew that offer here.

As you, Andrew, ISOC's CEO stated publicly during a webcast meeting in which you participated on 5 December 2019, you are uncomfortable with the lack of transparency. Many of us watching the communications on this transaction are also uncomfortable.

In sum, we again reiterate our belief that it is imperative that you commit to completing this process in an open and transparent manner, starting with publishing the Request

and related material, and allowing us to publish our questions to you, and your full responses.

We look forward to hearing from you on this matter, as soon as possible. Please let us know if you would like to discuss.

Sincerely,



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