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Dear Mr Twomey,

I have just had formal confirmation of the appointment of Mr Paul Verhoef by the Commission to the post of head of unit for Galileo and Intelligent Transport in the Directorate General for Energy and Transport. This will take effect from 1 July 2005.

While this brings his work for ICANN to an end sooner than we had anticipated, it is a significant career development for Mr Verhoef. It will build on his international experience with ICANN over the last year, and on his two years of work as head of unit for international affairs in DG Information Society. The Galileo satellite global positioning system is, as you know, a European project of major significance, and its success will bring with it major economic, industrial and societal benefits. I am sure you will agree with me that the Commission has made a wise choice in nominating Mr Verhoef to take up this challenge.

During the time that Paul Verhoef has been with ICANN, we have very much appreciated the better mutual understanding that has developed between our two organisations. We are committed to ensuring that these positive relations continue in this area which is so essential for the development of the information society.

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