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Comitê Gestor da Internet no Brasil

Brasilia, October 30, 2008.

To

Paul Twomey

CEO & President

ICANN

Dear Mr. Twomey,

I refer to your letter dated September 12, 2008, addressed to Minister Hélio Costa, in which you consult the Brazilian Government about its interest in applying for an IDN ccTLD under the "fast track" mechanism.

You will notice that Brazil is not indicating its interest in applying for an IDN ccTLD immediately under the "fast track" mechanism. Brazil considers that the "fast track" process is a temporary and exceptional solution to the introduction of a limited number of IDN ccTLD for those countries with pressing needs and readiness to implement them at the national level.

Brazil, however, reserves the right to apply to an IDN ccTLD at a future stage, in the context of the ICANN definitive policy for the introduction of IDN ccTLD, which should be given adequate priority to be finalized in the nearest possible term.

I would like to take this opportunity to request that future communications to the Brazilian Government be directed to me, in my capacity as the Chairman of the Brazilian Internet Steering Committee - CGI.br, which is the multistakeholder entity entrusted by the Brazilian Government with the mission of overseeing Internet management in Brazil, including the operation of the ccTLD <.br>
Please be informed that CGI.br also approved this reply.

Please count on my assurances for the continued collaboration between the Brazilian Government, CGI.br and ICANN on issues of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,

by the Brazilian Government

Augusto Cesar Gadelha Vieira

Chairman, CGI.br

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