30 November 2011

The Honorable Moustapha Guirassy Minister of Communication Telecommunications and ICT Republic of Senegal 58 Boulevard de la Republique Dakar, Senegal

Dear Minister Guirassy,

I am writing to offer profound apologies for my letter of 23 November 2011.

The letter was sent without appropriate clearance by ICANN's leadership and so it was not an official statement of ICANN's position.

ICANN's leadership, and indeed the entire ICANN community, deeply appreciate the generosity shown by Senegal in hosting our 42nd public meeting. ICANN's leadership - and I personally - truly regret any embarrassment or distress my letter may have caused you or the Government of Senegal.

I hope you will accept this sincere expression of regret.

This letter will be made public and published on ICANN's website.

Sincerely, Barbara Ann Clay

CC:

Ms. Ndéye Maimouna Diop Diagne, Director of ICT, Ministry of Communication, Telecommunications and ICT, Government of Senegal Ms. Heather Dryden, Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee

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