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To: Xavier Calvez

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Subject: Update on Grant Implementation

Thanks Xavier. As I am a CSG appointed delegate in this matter, I cannot provide a substantive response to your explanation. Based on the feedback received thus far on the CSG mailing list and the GNSO Council list, it appears the timing of this proposed Board Resolution (TODAY?) is quite concerning given that it modifies a Recommendation contained in the CCWG Final Report without adequate prior consultation with the ICANN community. Significant concerns have been raised by some, not only about procedure, but also about the substantive effectiveness of the chosen path.

No one is more interested than I in seeing the ICANN Grant Program move forward. I'm sure CSG members feel similarly. Nonetheless, legitimate concerns have been raised about the timing and the methods chosen for modifying a CCWG Recommendation. The actual Resolution language and the timing of the action were not sent in the previous notification. Accordingly, it would seem appropriate to defer any final action on the proposed Resolution to allow for further discussion.

Please include this comment on the list you are now establishing and I do give consent for the posting of this and prior comments communicated. (I have already authorized Giovanni to add me to that list.)

Thank you,

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