



13 July 2017

Mr. John Poole

Dear Mr. Poole:

Thank you for the questions you had raised in relation to the ICANN Chair's compensation and his corporation as stated on ICANN's Form 990. We have published your email of 28 May 2017 to the ICANN correspondence page

(<https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/correspondence/poole-to-icann-controller-28may17-en.pdf>).

The ICANN Chairman's Corporation, Shinkuro, Inc. was paid a total of \$114,203.24 in the fiscal year 2016. The total amount comprised of \$75,000.00 for compensation and \$39,203.24 for office rent.

The relationship between ICANN and Shinkuro, Inc. is solely due to Steve Crocker's role as Chair of the ICANN Board. Between FY08 through FY16, the total amount paid to Shinkuro, Inc. for this purpose is \$234,153.74.

The Form 990 was filed appropriately as required by the Internal Revenue Services (IRS). The statutory requirements for reporting compensation to any Board member is dependent upon the country in which the Board member resides. Steve Crocker's company, Shinkuro, Inc., is registered as a corporation in the United States. As such, ICANN does not issue any tax forms to the company and, as a result of the IRS requirements for the form 990, is not reportable on the Form 990.

Notwithstanding the IRS requirements, to provide clarity and more detailed information, ICANN will be publishing a revision to the FY16 Annual Report of Expense Reimbursement and Other Payments to or on behalf of ICANN Board members, with the objective to clarify all the amounts that have been paid to Shinkuro, Inc., and/or Steve Crocker in relation to Steve Crocker's role as Chair of the Board (or as Board member, prior to his appointment as Chair).

We thank you for your questions which have led to us providing more clarity on this topic and, as a result, allow ICANN to further improve its transparency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Xavier Calvez", is written over a light blue circular scribble.

Xavier Calvez  
Chief Financial Officer  
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