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RE: Impact assessment of draft human rights framework of interpretation recommendations

The Board would like to applaud the efforts of the Human Rights subgroup in developing a Framework of Interpretation for the human rights bylaw language in the ICANN Bylaws adopted by the Board 27 May 2016.

The Board also expresses its support for the additional efforts to complete a review of the items noted in WS1 Annex 12 to ensure they have been fully covered in the draft FOI, and to further inform the development of additional implementation recommendations to accompany the FOI.

As part of those implementation recommendations, the Board is asking ICANN organization to conduct an impact assessment to understand how the implementation of the recommendations would impact the organization. The Board encourages the CCWG to provide examples of how the FoI is to be implemented and the areas of work that the FoI is expected to impact to assist with this work. This will be an important point of information for the whole of the ICANN community in their deliberations of the final recommendations.

Such steps and efforts should be executed in a fashion as to minimize the impact to the group's overall timeline to ensure completion of the work within the original deadline of the conclusion of ICANN's 2017 fiscal year.

We are happy to discuss this further, and look forward to the continued work of this group.

Regards,

Dr. Stephen D. Crocker Chair, ICANN Board of Directors