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## **Re: Support for .MUSIC Community Application**

Dear ICANN and Economist Intelligence Unit ("EIU"):

Please accept this of Letter of Support for the community-based DotMusic Application (ID 1-1115-14110)<sup>1</sup> for the .MUSIC top-level domain.

This Letter also rejects the notion that there is no music community.

In fact, this global music community initiative to launch a trusted, safe and secure .MUSIC domain (that protects intellectual property and the rights of musicians) is supported by organisations with members representing over 95% of music consumed globally,<sup>2</sup> including the International Artist Organisation,<sup>3</sup> an umbrella association for national organisations mainly dedicated to the global music community by representing the rights and interests of music artists.

I wish also to state, that I truly believe if DotMusic don't win this application, ICANN and EIU will be setting back the world's chances of a Fair Trade Music Industry by many years.

Roxanne De Bastion

Further Reading:

My website

http://www.roxannedebastion.com/

The event I host annually

http://karamelrestaurant.com/event/fm2u/

Date: December 15th 2015

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See https://gtldresult.icann.org/application-result/applicationstatus/applicationdetails/1392

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See <a href="http://music.us/supporters">https://gtldresult.icann.org/applicationstatus/applicationdetails:downloadattachment/142588?t:ac=1392</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <a href="http://www.iaomusic.org">http://www.iaomusic.org</a>. See International Artist Organisation (IAO) letter to ICANN at <a href="http://music.us/letters/LAO.pdf">http://music.us/letters/LAO.pdf</a>