21 June 2019

RE: BC Motion suggestions for Board on EPDP

Claudia Selli
Chair, Business Constituency

Dear Ms. Selli,

Thank you for your letter of 22 April 2019. Your letter was shared with the ICANN Board prior to its action on the policy recommendations that resulted from Phase 1 of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. The Board received your input on the Board’s resolution, particularly your comments regarding allocating appropriate resources and emphasizing the importance of the EPDP’s work. As Phase 2 of the EPDP is now underway, ICANN org has affirmatively responded to the GNSO Council’s requests for adequate resources to ensure that team’s work is effectively supported. In addition, the Board noted in its resolution, the importance of the community’s work and the need for it to be supported on an expeditious basis.

In your letter, you also emphasized the importance of ICANN org’s continued work to develop a possible Unified Access Model (UAM) based on the Technical Study Group’s Technical Model for Access to Non-public Registration Data. This work is indeed ongoing and we will be sharing more information on this work’s progress in the coming weeks, including at ICANN65.

In the resolution adopting 27 of the 29 recommendations, the Board noted that it did not adopt Recommendation 1, Purpose 2, at this time to allow for additional consultation with the GNSO Council and/or additional guidance from the Data Protection Authorities to inform its consideration of the recommendation. Since that time, the European Commission has also provided input on the purposes for processing data, as well as an access model. The Board will now formally consult with the GNSO Council on this matter.

Sincerely,

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