From: Cyrus Namazi Date: Monday, June 17, 2019 To: Jeff Neuman, Cheryl Langdon-Orr

Subject: ICANN org's preparation toward implementation of a new round of gTLDs

Dear Cheryl and Jeff;

We understand that the Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group expects to publish its final report with its recommendations by December 2019. As you likely know, these recommendations may lead to procedural changes for subsequent rounds of gTLD applications, which ICANN org must implement and manage.

In the course of our preparatory work toward the planning and implementation of the new policy, ICANN org has compiled a number of fundamental operationally focused assumptions to help with the preliminary planning and operational readiness of the organization. I have shared these assumptions with the ICANN Board, and am now sharing them with all ICANN constituencies in the briefing document attached.

If the PDP Working Group members are interested in further engagement and providing feedback and perspective on these assumptions please let me know and we will be happy to arrange a mutually convenient time for a discussion. Ideally, we could leverage the time in Marrakech for a face-to-face meeting.

For your information, this information will also be included in the ICANN Community Digest which is planned to be issued later this week.

Sincerely,

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