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Dear Mr Chehadé,

In 2002, the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste was established. In recognition of this, the ISO 3166-1 standard removed the "TP" code for the former Portuguese Timor, and superseded it with a new "TL" code for Timor-Leste.

The Government of Timor-Leste successfully applied to ICANN for delegation of the .TL top-level domain. In accordance with policy requirements, we took responsibility for coordinating the orderly decommissioning of the .TP domain.

Since the delegation of .TL we have implemented policies that encouraged users of the .TP domain to transition from the domain so it can be retired. Since 2005, no new registrations have been permitted in the .TP zone, and all registrants of .TP domains were given matching .TL domains.

To conclude the transition to .TL we wish to set the final date for the .TP top-level domain to be removed from the root zone as **02 June 2014**. This date will provide for adequate notice to be given to the last remaining users of the .TP domain to transition to an alternate domain name. We will be conducting outreach locally to ensure awareness of this date.

We provide this letter as confirmation that the Government of Timor-Leste is fully supportive of making the appropriate root zone changes to retire the .TP domain, and we ask for ICANN's assistance in facilitating this process.

Yours sincerely,

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