



The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

ICANN

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Ms. Heather Dryden
Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee
Senior Advisor to the Government of Canada

Dear Ms. Dryden:

On behalf of Fadi Chehadé, thank you for your letter dated 11 February 2013 regarding the procedure for requesting funding to raise objections per paragraph 3.3.2 of the Applicant Guidebook. Fadi asked me to respond to the GAC's request for specific guidance on how governments may request funding for filing formal objections.

Per your request, attached please find the "Government Objection Funding Instructions," which specifies the eligibility criteria, request for funding instructions, and the fund disbursement process. In addition, I have included the objection funding request form. Both documents will also be posted on the New gTLD website under the Objections & Dispute Resolution page (<http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/program-status/odr>).

I hope that this information is helpful. Thank you again for conveying the GAC's request.

Sincerely,

Christine Willett
VP, gTLD Operations

cc Fadi Chehadé, President and CEO, ICANN
Dr. Stephen Crocker, Chair, Board of Directors, ICANN
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