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Mr. Rod Beckstrom  
President and Chief Executive Officer, ICANN

Ms. Heather Dryden  
Chair, ICANN Government Advisory Committee

Re: Participation in Security, Stability and Resiliency Review Team

Dear Mr. Beckstrom and Ms. Dryden,

I am volunteering to participate in the Security, Stability and Resiliency (“SSR”) Review Team on behalf of the GNSO.

I serve as AT&T’s ICANN representative and have actively participated in numerous ICANN meetings and public comment proceedings. As Vice President Public Policy for AT&T, I am responsible for coordinating policy development and engagement on Internet and technology issues, including Internet governance, privacy, cybersecurity and sustainability. My responsibilities also include representing AT&T in various organizations, events and proceedings which are directly related to the security, stability and resiliency of the Internet.

In addition, I lead the policy team that supports AT&T’s business in the operation of its global Internet network and the deployment of advanced technologies and services. AT&T operates a global Internet network which carries more than 18.7 petabytes of data on an average business day and includes more than 885,000 fiber route miles worldwide. The security, stability and resiliency of the Domain Name System (“DNS”) and the Internet generally is critical to the success of our business and to the millions of customers we serve worldwide. We also have firsthand experience dealing with a wide range of risks and threats that facing the Internet and our customers. I have drawn on AT&T’s extensive experience and technical expertise in developing our policy positions and comments on security, stability and resiliency issues within ICANN.

As AT&T’s ICANN representative, I have consistently incorporated security, stability and resiliency considerations into our policy positions on significant ICANN proceedings. For example, we addressed these issues as part of our comprehensive comments on accountability and transparency issues and the broader impacts of introducing new gTLDs. Moreover, I have worked to expand AT&T’s involvement in security, stability and resiliency issues within ICANN, such as DNSSEC and other efforts to enhance DNS security. I have focused on offering a broader perspective which reflects AT&T’s experience as a global network operator, Internet service provider and large business user of the DNS.



The inclusion of a business representative on the SSR Review Team will strengthen the review team and broaden its perspective. It will add the experience and capabilities of businesses and global Internet users who rely on the DNS and are directly impacted by decisions and actions taken within ICANN. Further, it will contribute to the SSR Review Team's consideration and understanding of how security, stability and resiliency issues have broader impacts on network operators and the Internet ecosystem.

My motivation in volunteering for the SSR Review Team is to help ICANN fulfill its responsibility to preserve the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS and the Internet. The process of analyzing findings, drawing conclusions and issuing a report should serve a constructive purpose by ensuring that these important issues continue to be an area of focus for ICANN and the broader community it serves.

I believe that my experience and scope of responsibilities give me a broad perspective which will be relevant and helpful to the SSR Review Team in carrying out its assigned tasks. In particular, I will consider ICANN's role in security, stability and resiliency issues from the perspective of how they directly impact network operators, service providers and global Internet users. Moreover, I understand that ICANN plays an important role in the Internet ecosystem, but it also must operate within a larger sphere of entities and organizations that must collaborate effectively to safeguard the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS.

I recognize that the security, stability and resiliency review is an important component of the process established by the Affirmation of Commitments, and I am pleased to volunteer my time and active participation to the review process. I will be a team player and approach the review process with an open mind and willingness to learn from my fellow review team members and the ICANN community.

Finally, I have read the Call for Applicants and understand the responsibilities of the SSR Review Team and the commitment that is required. I have the support of AT&T to devote the time needed to fulfill the responsibilities and assigned tasks of the SSR Review Team.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I also have completed the Additional GNSO Applicant Requirements, which is attached.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Engstrom". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.