

## Response to Documentary Information Disclosure Policy Request

To: Asvatha Babu on behalf of the Centre for Internet & Society

Date: 23 November 2016

Re: Request No. 20161024-1

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Thank you for your Request for Information dated 24 October 2016 (Request), which was submitted through the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Documentary Information Disclosure Policy (DIDP) on behalf of The Centre for Internet & Society (CIS) on 24 October 2016. For reference, a copy of your Request is attached to the email forwarding this Response.

### **Items Requested**

Your Request seeks the disclosure of documentary information relating to ICANN's compliance with United States Lobbying Law. Specifically, your Request seeks "all documents in ICANN's possession that show that ICANN complies with [ ] expenditure limits" for its lobbying activity.

### **Response**

ICANN has maintained strict compliance with defined United States lobbying disclosure requirements. In 2010, ICANN became registered as an "organization/lobbying firm". ICANN's Lobbying Disclosures and Contributions Reports are submitted to the United States House of Representatives and the Secretary of the U.S. Senate each quarter and detail ICANN's lobbying activities for that quarter. These reports are available on the Lobbying Disclosure website of the Office of the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives at <http://disclosures.house.gov/ld/ldsearch.aspx> and the Query the Lobbying Disclosure Act Database of the U.S. Senate at <http://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=processSearchCriteria>. As part of its commitment to transparency and accountability, the Lobbying Disclosures and Contributions Reports dating back to 2010, which are responsive to your Request, are also published on ICANN's website at the Lobbying Disclosures & Contribution Reports page, at <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/lobbying-disclosures-contributions-2015-11-18-en>. ICANN also regularly reports its lobbying expenditures on its annual filing with the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the Form 990. ICANN's Form 990s are available from each year's financial page, at <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/historical-2012-02-25-en>.

### **About DIDP**

ICANN's DIDP is limited to requests for documentary information already in existence within ICANN that is not publicly available. In addition, the DIDP sets forth Defined Conditions of Nondisclosure. To review a copy of the DIDP, please see <http://www.icann.org/en/about/transparency/didp>. ICANN makes every effort to be as

responsive as possible to the entirety of your Request. As part of its accountability and transparency commitments, ICANN continually strives to provide as much information to the community as is reasonable. We encourage you to sign up for an account at ICANN.org, through which you can receive daily updates regarding postings to the portions of ICANN's website that are of interest.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any further inquiries, please forward them to [didp@icann.org](mailto:didp@icann.org).