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To Mr. Rod Beckstrom – President and CEO of ICANN and

To Ms. Heather Dryden - Chair of ICANN Government Advisory Committee

Dear Heather and Rod,

I am volunteering to participate in the Security, Stability and Resiliency (“SSR”) of the DNS Review as an independent Expert.

With more than 20 years of experience on ICT and Security, I am now Director General of a newborn Foundation entirely devoted to Cyber Security: the Global Cyber Security Center (GCSEC) based in Rome. GCSEC is an international, independent, no-profit Foundation (501c) based on a multi-stakeholder model: organizations, companies and governments from various parts of the World are joining GCSEC as members to participate to our activities and initiatives. GCSEC main activities are Research, Education and Training and International Policy and Cooperation.

In my career, I had the opportunity to be for 5 years the CTO of one of the first Italian Service providers, dealing directly with all the technical aspects of Internet, including DNS. In the last 7 years, I have been working with Governments, European Commission and private sector to define new approaches to Cyber Security, focusing my efforts also on raising the awareness on Cyber Security of leaders and decision makers. Prior to GCSEC, I was Senior Associate in Booz & Company (former Booz Allen Hamilton), leading the international practice on Cyber Security.

I recognize both the importance of DNS and the increasing exposure of DNS service to new threats. The organization I lead, GCSEC, is now focusing the attention to DNS and we recently organized an international workshop on the Security of DNS and DNSSEC.

I think I have a particular set of skills to serve this review panel well. I have a high respect for what ICANN is doing: I would be proud to serve ICANN and the International community and to work to improve the Security, Stability and Resilience of one of the most critical services of the Internet. Also, GCSEC is fully supportive of this commitment.

Sincerely,

Andrea Rigoni

