Dear Dr. Paul Twomey,

1. NIC Sénégal, hosted by Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, has been operating the .sn ccTLD since 1992 and has always worked on providing the best possible service to the Internet Community in Senegal and to all other users of the .sn ccTLD.

2. NIC Sénégal has always communicated to the instance in charge of managing the IANA database any changes regarding the management of the .sn ccTLD.

3. NIC Sénégal acknowledges that ICANN has the role of manager of the IANA database and is therefore ready to work with ICANN on the establishment of a strong cooperation between NIC Sénégal and ICANN to ensure a coherent, secure and well functioning Domain Name System.

4. NIC Sénégal commits itself to:
   a) operate and maintain -in conformance with Senegalese laws- the authoritative name servers for .sn in a stable and secure manner adequate to resolve names under .sn by users throughout the Internet in compliance with applicable relevant IETF standards;
   b) keep the .sn zone data as stored in the authoritative name servers for .sn up to date;
   c) communicate in a timely manner all changes of information on .sn name servers, contact details, including possible changes to administrative or technical contact and other relevant information to ICANN in order to keep the .sn zone data as stored in the IANA database up to date;
   d) ensuring that the administrative contact for .sn resides in the territory of Senegal;
   e) participate whenever possible in any activity aiming to improve the IANA function.

6. Given that ICANN reliably provides the IANA function, NIC Sénégal is willing to voluntarily contribute to its cost of operation for an amount of 2,000.00 US$ per year, starting in 2007; this amount can be revised every year, taking into account all relevant circumstances, including the resources of NIC Sénégal. ICANN will be informed by 30 September of every year about the amount NIC Sénégal can commit for the next year.

In case of no notification of the latter amount by the date stated above, the contribution amount of the current year will be re-conducted for the following year. NIC Sénégal will be happy to consider ICANN’s input on this issue.

The above commitments have been taken in the context of the current situation of NIC Sénégal and shall not give rise to any liability, monetary or otherwise for NIC Sénégal.

NIC Sénégal looks forward to continuing working with ICANN and hopes for a long and mutually beneficial relationship.

Dakar, 30 April 2007

Best regards,

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Dear Messrs Barry and Corenthin

The mission of ICANN is to coordinate, at the overall level, the global Internet's systems of unique identifiers, and in particular to ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier systems. ICANN also performs the IANA function.

This letter sets out our understanding of what we do in order to demonstrate our commitment to securing and enhancing the stability and interoperability of the Internet's Domain Name System (DNS) for the benefit of the local and global Internet community.

To this end, ICANN:

a) maintains a stable, secure, and authoritative publicly available database of relevant information about ccTLDs, including .sn, the country code Top Level Domain for Senegal. This Authoritative Root Database shall contain information for the public authoritative name servers in respect of .sn, contact information for NIC Senegal as the registry for .sn, the designated administrative contact(s), and the designated technical contact(s) as notified by NIC Senegal to ICANN;

b) implements on notification by NIC Senegal changes to the domain name or IP address(es) of the name servers for .sn as recorded in the Authoritative-Root Data for .sn in the Authoritative-Root Database according to ICANN's publicly available policies and procedures.;

c) publishes data maintained in the Authoritative Root Database about ccTLD's including .sn which shall include at least the name of NIC Senegal as the .sn ccTLD registry, the administrative contact(s), the technical contact(s), and the domain names and IP addresses of the authoritative name servers for .sn;

d) coordinates the Authoritative Root Server System so that it is operated and maintained in a stable and secure manner; and causes the Authoritative Root Server System to publish DNS resource records delegating the Top Level Domain .sn to the name servers recorded in the Authoritative Root Database;
e) maintains authoritative records and an audit trail regarding changes to delegations and records related thereto with respect to ccTLD's including .sn and informs NIC Senegal of the status of a requested change related to .sn in accordance with the policies, procedures and format as made publicly available by us; and

f) notifies ccTLDs, including NIC Senegal of any changes to our contact information no later than seven days after the change becomes effective.

For avoidance of doubt, nothing contained in this letter shall give rise to any liability, monetary or otherwise for ICANN.

We look forward to continuing working together and hope for a long and mutually beneficial relationship with you.

Yours sincerely

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