President Bill Clinton’s Address to ICANN Silicon Valley/San Francisco Meeting Open to Registered Journalists

Journalists attending the 40th public meeting of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) in San Francisco are invited to cover the Wednesday evening (16 March) address by President Bill Clinton.

President Clinton is the founder of the William J. Clinton Foundation and served as the 42nd President of the United States.

PRESS REGISTRATION: Only journalists who pre-register will be allowed into this session. Journalists may register at http://www.registration123.com/ICANN/SF40/. Please check the “Press/Media” box and continue to follow the prompts.

Journalists may also register for the event by contacting Samantha Oltman at Samantha.oltman@icann.org or +1 310.578.8685.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Journalists must register to attend this session no later than 1800 PDT, Monday, March 14, 2011.

OFF-SITE MEDIA: Journalists, who will not be present in San Francisco, will be able to monitor a live video webcast at http://svsf40.icann.org/clinton.

WHAT: Remarks by President Bill Clinton

WHEN: Wednesday, 16 March 2011, 1800-1900 PDT US (0100 UTC).

WHERE: Westin St. Francis Hotel, Grand Ballroom, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA

- Video crews and still photographers will only be permitted in the designated press area at the rear of the Grand Ballroom.

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About ICANN: ICANN's mission is to ensure a stable, secure and unified global Internet. To reach another person on the Internet you have to type an address into your computer - a name or a number. That address has to be unique so computers know where to find each other. ICANN coordinates these unique identifiers across the world. Without that coordination we wouldn't have one global Internet. ICANN was formed in 1998. It is a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation with participants from all over the world dedicated to keeping the Internet secure, stable and interoperable. It promotes competition and develops policy on the Internet’s unique identifiers. ICANN doesn’t control content on the Internet. It cannot stop spam and it doesn’t deal with access to the Internet. But through its coordination role of the Internet’s naming system, it does have an important impact on the expansion and evolution of the Internet. For more information please visit: www.icann.org.