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ICANN Final Determination

Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .cartier

On 01 August 2019, Richemont DNS Inc. notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .cartier Registry Agreement entered into on 23 June 2014. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, Registry Operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN org consulted with Richemont DNS Inc. to assess whether to transition operation of the .cartier top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 10 September 2019, ICANN org made a preliminary determination that operation of the .cartier TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:

- 1. .cartier qualifies as a .Brand TLD.
- 2. Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.

On 10 October 2019, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, no comments were received. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, ICANN org will proceed to terminate the .cartier Registry Agreement by 28 January 2020.

In conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN org may not delegate the TLD to a successor registry operator for a period of two years without Registry Operator's consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

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