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ICANN Preliminary Determination

Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .telefonica Top-Level Domain

On 01 August 2019, Telefónica S.A. notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .telefonica Registry Agreement entered into on 16 October 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, ICANN org consulted with Telefónica S.A. to assess whether to transition operation of the .telefonica top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

Subject to an ongoing evaluation, ICANN org has made a preliminary determination that operation of the .telefonica TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator. ICANN org's review and determinations regarding transition to a successor registry are subject to Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement and is based on ICANN org's assessment that transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest. Telefónica S.A. attested and ICANN org confirmed that there are no domain name registrations in the .telefonica TLD beyond those required by the Registry Agreement.

Before releasing its final determination, ICANN org will consider input provided by interested parties via email at <u>ra-termination-comments@icann.org</u>. The deadline to submit input is 14 November 2019 – 23:59 UTC.

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