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ALAC Statement on the CCWG-Accountability WS2 Final Report

Introduction

Hadia Elminiawi, ALAC Member of the African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO), developed an initial draft of the Statement on behalf of the ALAC.

On 08 May 2018, the first draft of the Statement was posted on its [At-Large workspace](#).

On that same date, ICANN Policy Staff in support of the At-Large Community sent a Call for Comments on the Statement to the At-Large Community via the ALAC Work mailing list.

On 11 May 2018, the ALAC Chair submitted comment. On 11 May 2018, the ALAC Chair requested that Staff open an ALAC ratification vote.

In the interest of time, the ALAC Chair requested that the Statement be transmitted to the ICANN public comment process, copying the ICANN Staff member responsible for this topic, with a note that the Statement is pending ALAC ratification.

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The At-large Advisory Committee (ALAC) of ICANN takes this opportunity to thank ICANN for putting forward the Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability Work Stream 2 (CCWG-Accountability WS2) final report for public comments.

The ALAC finds that the final report is in general consistent and addresses the requirements of section 27.1 of the ICANN Bylaws on WS2. However, we would like to note that the assurance of full consistency between all of the recommendations - which are noted in the report to be more than 100 - would depend primarily on the interpretation of the recommendations and the implementation plan. Therefore, we recommend paying close attention to the matter when developing the implementation plan and dedicating enough time to ensure that inconsistencies do not result due to misinterpretation of the recommendations.

The recommendations formulated in the various sections of this report all have merit in advancing ICANN's transparency and accountability. However, taken together, they may amount to a daunting burden on ICANN Org and its volunteer community. For this reason ALAC recommends that as the recommendations are implemented, ICANN takes an approach to minimize the impact and work associated with following these recommendations. Finally, we would like to allude that ALAC is ready to support an implementation team composed of the co-chairs and rapporteurs of the CCWG accountability.