**Motion - Appointment of a second GNSO representative to the Community Representatives Group (CRG) that will nominate the Independent Review Process (IRP) Standing Panel**

**Submitted by: Carlton Samuels**

**Seconded by:**

Whereas,

1. The SO/AC Chairs agreed to the formation of a Community Representatives Group (CRG) to select nominees for the Bylaws-mandated Independent Review Process (IRP) Standing Panel.
2. The GNSO has the opportunity to appoint up to two members to serve on the CRG, but only one application was received by the GNSO in response to initial [Expression of Interest process](https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2020-11-18-en). The sole candidate, Heather Forrest, was considered and recommended by the GNSO Standing Selection Committee and subsequently appointed by the GNSO Council to serve as a GNSO representative to the CRG.
3. The SG/C Chairs agreed to initiate a [second Expression of Interest process](https://gnso.icann.org/en/announcements/announcement-08mar21-en.htm) to identify an additional GNSO representative to serve on the CRG. The process opened on 8 March 2021.
4. The GNSO SG/C Chairs and GNSO Council Leadership agreed that the SSC should be deployed to select the GNSO's second representative to the CRG.
5. The SSC reviewed the three applications received, taking into account the guidance provided by the SG/C Chairs.
6. The SSC submitted its full consensus recommendation to the GNSO Council on 12 April 2021, by way of submission of the relevant motion.
7. The GNSO Council considered the recommendations of the SSC.

Resolved,

1. The GNSO appoints Donna Austin to serve as a second GNSO representative to the Community Representatives Group that will nominate the Independent Review Process (IRP) Standing Panel.
2. The GNSO Council instructs the GNSO Secretariat to communicate resolved #1 to the SO/AC Chairs and ICANN.
3. The GNSO Council instructs the GNSO Secretariat to inform the nominated candidate of the Council's decision.
4. The GNSO Council requests the GNSO Secretariat to send a response to those applicants who were not nominated, noting that all three candidates were highly qualified, thanking them for their interest and willingness to step forward for this role, and encouraging them to apply for future opportunities as they arise.