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Draft FY20 IANA-PTI Operating Plan and Budget

Dear Xavier,

The GNSO Council welcomes the opportunity to comment on the draft fiscal year 2020 Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) Operating Plan and Budget, and the draft fiscal year 2020 Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) FY20 Operating Plan and Budget, both of which were published 28 September 2018.

At the request of the GNSO Council, a Standing Committee of Councilors and GNSO subject matter experts thoroughly reviewed these documents and examined the proposed budget allocations, focusing particularly on aspects that directly relate to the GNSO Council's activities and priorities. This statement was subsequently adopted by the GNSO Council and is submitted in the absence of objection.

These comments are intended to complement any input that may be provided on the FY20 IANA-PTI Budget by GNSO Stakeholder Groups (SGs) and Constituencies (Cs).

Based on our review, the GNSO Council would like to provide the following feedback:

General Comments:

- The GNSO Council notes that one of our current policy development activities does potentially intersect with the operations of the IANA Functions by PTI. The New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process Working Group is currently developing policy that may ultimately instruct PTI to place new gTLDs into the root. However, it is not anticipated that delegations would occur in FY20.
- The GNSO, as a Decisional Participant within the Empowered Community, is aware that should any of its constituent parts have issue with the IANA/PTI budget, it is the IANA Operating Plan and Budget that would be subject to possible rejection petition should that occur.
- The GNSO Council has no objection to the proposed IANA/PTI budgets published on 28 September 2018 and will defer any specific comments to its SGs/Cs.

The GNSO Council looks forward to submitting future comments as they relate to ICANN's finances and budgetrelated proceedings.

Yours sincerely,

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