**Reappointment of GNSO Liaison to the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)**

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Whereas:

1. As part of the discussions within ICANN between the GNSO and GAC on how to facilitate early engagement of the GAC in GNSO policy development activities, the option of appointing a GNSO liaison to the GAC was initially piloted in FY15 and F16, and subsequently confirmed by the GNSO Council as a permanent role at the start of FY17.
2. The GNSO Council [appointed](https://gnso.icann.org/en/council/resolutions/2020-current#202010) Jeffrey Neuman to the role of GNSO Liaison to the Governmental Advisory Committee for a one-year term on 21 October 2020 and [re-appointed](https://gnso.icann.org/en/council/resolutions/2020-current#202111) him for a second one-year term 27 November 2021, ending at the AGM 2022.
3. The GNSO Council has an obligation to review the role annually and reconfirm the appointment unless the review indicates otherwise and/or the Liaison has indicated that he/she is no longer available to continue in this role, in which case a new selection process will take place.
4. The GNSO Council has reviewed the annual report prepared by the GNSO Liaison to the GAC and confirmed his interest in continuing in this role.
5. The Council has drafted an update to the role description, which it is expected to adopt during the 20 October 2022 Council meeting. This revision updates the term of the GNSO Council Liaison to the GAC to two years with a term limit of two consecutive terms, consistent with the term length and term limit for GNSO Councilors.

Resolved:

1. The GNSO Council hereby reappoints Jeffrey Neuman to the role of GNSO Liaison to the Governmental Advisory Committee for a two-year term ending at the ICANN AGM 2024.
2. The GNSO Council leadership team will inform the GAC leadership team accordingly, and will co-ordinate with Jeffrey Neuman as well as the GAC leadership team and GAC Secretariat on next steps and the continued successful implementation of this role.