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Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers
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Re: Modification to .Abogado and .Law Registry-Registrar Agreements

Since the launch of the .Abogado and .Law top-level domains (collectively the “TLDs”), Minds + Machines Group Limited (“MMX”) has worked with registrars to ensure that only legal professionals register names in the TLDs.

To date, MMX has required registrants to self-certify that they are members of the legal profession and has also required registrars to capture additional information from registrants at the time of registration. MMX then works with a third party validation agent to verify the registrant’s information.

Registrars have indicated that MMX’s mandatory requirement to collect additional information is too difficult to implement and serves as a barrier to entry. Moreover, MMX’s validation agent has confirmed that they can verify registrants without the need for additional information. As such, MMX seeks to remove the obligation to capture additional registrant information at the time of registration. MMX will continue to work with its validation agent to verify that registrants are members of the legal profession and will generally use standard registration information, instead of requiring additional information, for such verifications.

MMX will continue to restrict registrations to legal professionals and will continue to take appropriate action (e.g., suspension or deletion of registrations), in the event a registrant violates the registration restrictions. However, for the ease of registrar implementation, the additional data fields previously required upon registration will no longer be required.

As such, MMX seeks to revise its Registry-Registrar Agreement accordingly.

Regards,

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