

06 December 2021

Ms. Manal Ismail Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee

Re: ccNSO Proposed Policy with respect to the retirement of ccTLDs

Dear Manal,

On behalf of the ICANN Board, and pursuant to Article 3, Section 6.a (iii) of the ICANN Bylaws, this letter is to formally notify the Government Advisory Committee (GAC) that the ccNSO has approved all the policy recommendations developed during the ccNSO Policy Development Process on the Retirement of ccTLDs. The proposed policy recommendations (https://ccnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/field-attached/board-report-proposed-policy-retirement-cctlds-17sep21-en.pdf) were posted for public comment, in accordance with Article 3, Section 6.a-(ii)of the ICANN Bylaws, prior to Board action (https://www.icann.org/en/public-comment).

The Board will soon consider the ccNSO proposed policy recommendations. In the event that the GAC believes that there are public policy issues raised by these recommendations and provides advice accordingly on those issues, the ICANN Board will take the GAC's advice into account on this matter pursuant to Article 12, Section 2.a-x of the ICANN Bylaws.

Sincerely,

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Chair, ICANN Board of Directors