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Afilias Domains No. 3 Limited  
-vs-  
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Dear Counsel:

As have been previously acknowledged we are in receipt of the parties' submissions, specifically Claimant's letter of March 14, 2019, March 25, 2019 and March 29, 2019 and Respondent's letters of March 8, 2019, March 20, 2019 and March 26, 2019. We have reviewed these submissions along with the Declaration of the Procedures Officer dated February 28 2019 and have determined the following.

Section 7 of the October 25, 2018 Interim Supplementary Procedures for Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Independent Review Process (IRP) addresses the Procedures Officer roles in the IRP. However, these Interim Supplementary Procedures do not authorize the ICDR to appoint a new Procedures Officer to determine an issue that was previously considered by a different Procedures Officer. Therefore, the parties are free to direct this issue to the IRP upon their appointment at which time we will make them aware of the February 28, 2019 Declaration.

Lastly, pending the complete constitution of the IRP, the ICDR stands ready to coordinate further communications or proceedings with the Emergency Arbitrator to address the issues pending.

Sincerely,

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