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**Feasibility and prioritization analysis of the GNSO Review Recommendations**

To: ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee

cc-list: GNSO Council

Dear All,

On behalf of the GNSO Council, I am pleased to hereby transmit the GNSO Working Party’s Feasibility and Prioritization Analysis of the GNSO Review Recommendations (see attachment). In its meeting on 14 April, the GNSO Council unanimously adopted this analysis apart from recommendation #21 for which the Council adopted the following modification: “The Council recommends staff working with the GNSO to institute methods of information sharing of highly relevant research related to gTLDs to help the GNSO community members increase their knowledge base (low priority)”.

As you know, additional comments and questions were raised during the GNSO Review Webinar on 12 April (see <http://audio.icann.org/gnso/gnso-review-12apr16-en.mp3>), but many of these related to the actual implementation of the recommendations, which we understand is the next step in the process. Additionally, this forthcoming work will require active participation from the GNSO community and ultimately approval of the implementation plan by the GNSO Council and the ICANN Board.

[Nevertheless, there are a number of additional individual comments from Council members related to the feasibility and prioritization that you will find included in Annex A for your consideration. They are being provided to supplement the specific recommendations from the Working Party and are intended to reflect individual Councilor’s comments from their perspectives as elected [or Nominating Committee-appointed] representatives on the GNSO Council. These comments are not intended to supersede the Working Party’s recommendations except that in those cases where, in the OEC’s view, a Councilor’s comment might result in the possibility of a different prioritization level being allocated to a recommendation, the Council invites the OEC to seek further clarification from and dialogue with the GNSO Council and the Working Party.]

Should you have any questions or would like to discuss our input further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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GNSO Chair