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CWG-Stewardship Notification to GNSO Council concerning conditionality requirements

To: Jonathan Robinson, co-chair and Lise Fuhr, co-chair, CWG-Stewardship

Dear Lise and Jonathan,

The CCWG-Accountability Co-Chairs recently announced an update to the status of the Work Stream 1 Recommendations (see http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/accountability-cross-community/2016-February/010538.html), and expect delivery of their Supplemental Proposal in time for ICANN55 in Marrakech. Given this updated time frame, we wanted to reach out to you, in your capacity as Co-Chairs of the CWG-Stewardship.

As a reminder, the GNSO Council resolution to adopt the CWG-Stewardship Final Proposal included the proviso that:

'Following the submission of the Final Report of the CCWG-Accountability on Work Stream 1 and subsequent GNSO Council consideration, the GNSO Council will communicate the results of its deliberations on the CCWG-Accountability Final Proposal on Work Stream 1; including to the ICG, ICANN Board and NTIA, as necessary, and thereby confirm whether or not the conditionality requirements as set out in the CWG-Stewardship Final Proposal have been met from a GNSO perspective'. (see http://gnso.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#20150624-5)

In order to be in a position to approve the Final Report of the CCWG-Accountability on Work Stream 1, the GNSO Council is expecting the CWG-Stewardship to provide a clear notification to the GNSO Council as to whether the CWG-Stewardship considers this condition has been met. To facilitate Council's ability to meet the approval deadline, please provide an indication of the time needed for the CWG-Stewardship to provide this input. At this stage, the GNSO Council plans to consider the Supplemental Proposal prior to or during ICANN 55 in Marrakech. Final confirmation from the CWG-Stewardship that the Supplemental Proposal meets this test will be a crucial element of the Council's consideration.

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further. We look forward to receiving your feedback as soon as possible.

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