From: Cherine Chalaby **Sent:** 24 July 2014 13:18 **To:** Jonathan Robinson

Subject: Protection IGO/INGO Identifiers in All gTLDS

Dear Jonathan,

On behalf of the ICANN Board New gTLD Program Committee (NGPC), I write to follow up on our letter of 16 June 2014 regarding Protection of IGO/INGO Identifiers in All gTLDs and the advice from the GAC in its Buenos Aires Communiqué addressing the same topic.

We understand that the GNSO has initiated a PDP on Curative Rights Protections for IGO/INGOs. This PDP is closely related to the issue of IGO/INGO Identifiers and will have an impact on how the NGPC ultimately addresses the GAC's advice. We would be grateful for a briefing by the GNSO on the progress of this PDP, including current status and projected timeline for completion.

Finally, to the extent that it would be helpful, the NGPC would be pleased to provide a briefing (oral or written) to provide greater clarity on the GAC's advice and expectations with respect to protections of IGO-INGO Identifiers. If you have any specific questions, please send those as well as they could help focus the briefing.

We appreciate the GNSO's hard work in developing policy recommendations and look forward to our continued discussions as we work together on this matter. In the meantime, we note that the temporary protections afforded to IGO acronyms remain in place while we continue our discussions.

Best regards, Cherine Chalaby Chair, New gTLD Program Committee