

10 December 2020

Philippe Fouquart Chair, GNSO Council

RE: GNSO Council Request for ICANN org briefing on accuracy requirements and programs

Dear Mr. Philippe Fouquart,

Thank you for your 4 November 2020 <u>letter</u> regarding a request for a briefing on existing accuracy requirements and programs. The ICANN organization notes that the GNSO Council intends to start an accuracy scoping team for purposes of defining the issue, which may lead to the requesting of an Issue Report. ICANN org understands the importance of accuracy and appreciates the GNSO Council's request to provide a briefing document on the topic to assist in this process.

Specifically, ICANN org understands that the GNSO Council is requesting ICANN org to prepare a briefing document which addresses the following:

- I. Existing accuracy requirements and programs;
- II. The impact that GDPR has had on implementing and enforcing the identified requirements and programs.

ICANN org notes that the accuracy scoping team will be instructed to consider, among other things, the Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) Sections 3.7.7.2, 3.78, WHOIS Accuracy Program Specification, WHOIS Accuracy Reporting System (ARS), WHOIS Data Reminder Policy (WDRP), and Restored Names Accuracy Policy (RNAP).

ICANN org also notes your request for an expected delivery date to facilitate planning efforts and intends to provide the GNSO Council with a response by 26 February 2021.

Thank you again for your letter and request. We look forward to continued discussions on the topic of accuracy.

Sincerely,

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