To: Katrina Sataki, chair of the ccNSO & Keith Drazek, chair of the GNSO
Cc: Göran Marby, President & CEO ICANN & Kim Davies, President PTI

Re: Approval ccNSO and GNSO Councils new IANA Naming Function SLA: Publication of LGRs

Date: 18 October 2019

Dear Katrina and Keith,

I am writing you to seek approval of the country code Names Supporting Organization and Generic Names Supporting Organization Councils for a new the IANA Naming Service Level Agreement (SLA) on the Publication of the Label Generation Rulesets for Internationalized Domain Names Change Analysis.

As you may recall the Customer Standing Committee and Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) recently agreed on a procedure to amend SLAs (see: https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/iana-naming-function-sla-amendment-process-28mar19-en.pdf). Accordingly, in case of the introduction of a new SLA, and after a public comment and agreement on the new SLA between PTI and the Customer Standing Committee (CSC) – the CSC should seek approval from the ccNSO and GNSO Councils on the new SLA. After both Councils have approved the new SLA, the SLA will be implemented according to the implementation plan.

Recently, the CSC and PTI have agreed to establish a set of new SLAs for the publication of the Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) tables and Label Generation Rulesets (LGRs) in the IDN Practices Repository (see the attached SLA change request: new SLA for Publication of LGRs). Background for the request is that the LGR request lifespan consists of the submission of the request; a staff review of the request against the formatting and presentation requirements listed at https://www.iana.org/help/idn-repository-procedure, which can result in a remediation or clarification request to the submitter; confirmation of the validated submission by the TLD’s authorizer; and implementation of the request.

The proposed SLAs reflect the fact that the submission, validation, and implementation of requests for LGR publication and modification are currently manual processes. In addition, the total number of LGRs to be published or modified in the implementation of a single request can range from a single entry to more than one thousand (for more details on thresholds, mechanism etc. see the attached SLA change request).

The change request was initiated by the CSC, and, after completing a set of required steps including a public comment period, is now ready for approval by the ccNSO and GNSO Councils, which is required before implementation will start.

On behalf of the CSC

Lars- Johan Liman, interim Chair