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Subject: [council] FW: Support for a PDP Work Team Face to Face Meeting

Importance: High

Here is a <u>request</u> from Jeff Neuman, chair of the PDP WT and chair of the PPSC, for a face-to-face (F2F) WT meeting including ICANN travel funding support. Please ignore a previous version of Jeff's message distributed on the Council list because it was sent to the Council list prematurely.

<u>Please note that a detailed request is provided in the attached file</u>. In preparation for our Council meeting on 17 December, please review Jeff's message below and the attached file for discussion and possible action by the Council in that meeting. And please forward this message with the attachment to your respective groups immediately so that they can do the same and provide Councilors input before 17 December and thereby provide you any direction they have on this issue.

Note that this <u>request</u> was received after the required deadline in the Council Operation Procedures so we will have to decide whether to make an exception to the Procedures before taking any action. The reason for considering this exception is because the request is for a F2F meeting in January and to delay a decision until our 7 January meeting would be too late to allow adequate time for travel plans and other arrangements. Also note that there are no provisions in any of the documents that govern Council operation that provide procedures for Council action on issues like this; we quite possibly will need to consider that topic sometime in the future. At present though, I believe it is important for the Council to be involved in this decision because already budgeted GNSO Improvement funds used for this request would not be available for funding of other such requests in the future or for other GNSO improvement implementation actions in this fiscal year. Staff will provide more details on funds available.

Jeff Neuman has been invited to participate in the 17 December Council meeting so he can be available to answer questions.

In the meantime, I encourage discussion on the Council list.

Chuck