

20 April 2022

RE: Status Update EPDP Phase 2 & Review of ODA

Philippe Fouquart Chair, Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

Dear Philippe,

Thank you for your <u>letter dated 4 March 2022</u> regarding a status update on a review of the Operational Design Assessment (ODA), the final output of the System for Standardized Access/ Disclosure (SSAD) to Nonpublic generic Top-Level Domain Registration Data Operational Design Phase (ODP). The Board appreciates the recent informal interactions between a number of Board members and the GNSO small team as we collectively discuss a path forward.

We look forward to the results of further discussions with the small team as well as the GNSO Council on these important issues" as to ascertain that these conclusions (by the GNSO) are what we will consider, ultimately – as well as our appreciation of the dialogue that is happening.

Regards,

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Chair, ICANN Board of Directors