

15 October 2023

Subject: RE: Nominating Committee (NomCom) Rebalancing

Mr. Sebastien Ducos

Chair, Generic Names Supporting Organization Council (GNSO Council)

Dear Sebastien,

On behalf of the ICANN Board, I would like to thank you for providing GNSO Council input on the issue of Nominating Committee (NomCom) rebalancing. The ICANN Board received 17 responses in total from the ICANN Community, and appreciated the diversity of views and depth of input received.

The ICANN Board acknowledges that the diversity of community views does not provide a clear path forward to rebalance the NomCom. The ICANN Board sees this rebalancing discussion as an excellent opportunity to consider a fresh perspective on what the NomCom is, and whether its current model is conducive to achieving its purpose: selecting ICANN leadership positions. The Board recognizes that NomCom is an important part of ICANN's governance. Accordingly, the Board is committed to working with the ICANN Community to improve the effectiveness of the NomCom (see 10 September 2023 Board resolutions), while continuing the dialogue around how NomCom's purpose can be fulfilled effectively as ICANN evolves.

We will keep the ICANN Community informed of future developments related to NomCom rebalancing. Thank you again for your valuable input on this important issue that impacts ICANN governance.

Sincerely,

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Chair, ICANN Board of Directors

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