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Governmental Advisory Committee

10 June 2016

ICANN Board of Directors
GNSO Councillors
Co-Chairs of the GNSO PDP Working Group on Privacy and Proxy Services Accreditation Issues

Dear Members of the ICANN Board of Directors,
Dear GNSO Councillors,
Dear Co-Chairs of the GNSO PDP Working Group on Privacy and Proxy Services Accreditation Issues (PPSAI),

As you will recall, the GAC highlighted in the Marrakech Communiqué that the recommendations set forth in the final report of the GNSO PDP Working Group on Privacy and Proxy Services Accreditation Issues (PPSAI) may raise public policy issues with an impact on consumer safety and trust. We advised the ICANN Board to allow sufficient time for GAC consideration of these issues and to meet with the GAC prior to considering adoption of the Privacy Proxy Services Accreditation Issues PDP Final Report, at ICANN 56.

Accordingly, the GAC would like to invite the pertinent members of the ICANN Board and the GNSO Council, as well as the Co-Chairs of the PPSAI Working Group, to a meeting on Tuesday June 28th from 11:30 to 12:00 during ICANN 56.

At this meeting we would like to discuss public policy concerns that we believe are raised by the PPSAI Working Group's recommendations, in particular regarding: 1) the confidentiality of law enforcement and consumer protection authority requests for information from privacy and proxy service providers; 2) the availability of privacy and proxy services for domains actively engaged in the collection of money for a good or service and; 3) possible jurisdictional issues that could be associated with the definition of "law enforcement authority" chosen.

The goal of the meeting will be to discuss constructively how our concerns could best be addressed, notably whether they could be addressed during the implementation of the Working Group recommendations.

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Thomas Schneider
Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee