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taiwan weighs in re .xxx

fyi, the letter from the gac rep from taiwan is below:

Letter from Dr. Kai-Sheng Kao (GAC representative of Taiwan) to ICANN and GAC

To: ICANN Board of Directors

Cc: Government Advisory Committee

Subject: Comment on approval of .xxx top level domain

Date: Monday, September 30, 2005

Dear Sir/Madam,

After gathering the opinions of related governmental organizations in Taiwan on the approval of xxx top level domain, I as the GAC representative of Taiwan would like to provide the following comments for your consideration.

We realized that the operation of this new top level domain is technically and operationally workable and will be positive in the aspect of management of restricted websites. The service provided by .xxx will be beneficial to identify and make out the adult-entertainment websites. It would also be helpful to provide the filtered, labeled and more appropriate online content and environment, especially for those children and families who use Internet.

Nevertheless, I would like to suggest that the approval of this top level domain shall consider all social and cultural aspects affected including customs, culture, social conditions and private laws of different countries in order to reduce the possible negative impacts and ill effects.

All in all, my country would pay its strong respects to the final decision made by ICANN Board, but suggest ICANN to defer this case for allowing more concerns to be expressed before reaching a final decision on this TLD. In addition, it's my considered suggestion that in the future the ICANN Board please allow sufficient time for public advice before the creation of new TLDs that might arouse governmental and public policy concerns.

Thanks and best regards,

Kai-Sheng Kao GAC representative of Taiwan

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