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"This proposal is a testament to the hard work of the global Internet community and the multistakeholder model. The proposal has now been sent to the U.S. Government for its review, and assuming it meets the necessary criteria, we will have reached an historic moment in the history of the Internet."

- Dr. Stephen D. Crocker, Chairman of the Board

"The hard work and dedication that we have witnessed over the past two years has been incredible. The global Internet community has validated the multistakeholder model, by coming together to build a comprehensive transition package that we believe meets the requirements set out by NTIA, and we are confident that the United States Government will agree."

- Fadi Chehadé, President and CEO

CCWG-Accountability

"The delivery of these WS1 recommendations is an historical milestone for the ICANN community. This document embodies thousands of tireless volunteer work hours carried through an unprecedented effort that confirms that within ICANN's diversity lies its richness. A delicately balanced yet solid proposal is the first fruit of this amazing working group. Now it is time to focus in implementing each recommendation while paving the way for our WS2 work plan. The corner stone might be in place but we're only half way there."

- León Sanchez, CCWG Co-Chair

"This is an important milestone on ICANN's journey to accountability, but not the end of the road. With the proposed enhancements, not only will ICANN be held accountable to fulfilling its mission and respecting due process, they also secure further accountability enhancements in the future, starting with our important Work Stream 2 efforts."

- Mathieu Weill, CCWG Co-Chair

"I am confident we have finalized a WS1 proposal that enjoys broadest possible support from the community and meets NTIA requirements. It is a set of recommendations that will significantly enhance ICANN's accountability and the mere fact that a diverse group such as the CCWG has managed to come up with report is a true testimony of the multistakeholder model working well."

- Thomas Rickert, CCWG Co-Chair

ICG

"The Internet community has exhibited remarkable dedication to the IANA stewardship transition because we know just how important it is to complete," said Alissa Cooper, Chair of the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG) that coordinated the development of the proposal. "Internet users the world over stand to benefit from its stability, security, and accountability enhancements to Internet governance once the proposal takes effect."

- Alissa Cooper, ICG Chair

"Submission of the package to NTIA is an important milestone," said Patrik Fältström, Vice-Chair of the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG) that coordinated the development of the proposal. "The first steps in this successful inclusive multistakeholder process was taken around 1998, and we have lots of hard work in front of us to implement what we now have agreement on."

- Patrik Fältström, ICG Vice Chair

"The final proposal development and consultation was a testimony of effectiveness of the global Internet multistakeholder model. Commenters and participants were individuals, operational communities, ICANN community, businesses and trade associations, civil society organizations, governments, and others from across all regions of the world." said Mohamed El Bashir, Vice Chair of the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG).

- Mohamed El Bashir, ICG Vice Chair

Numbering Resources Community

"The discussions that have taken place over the last two years have been a showcase for the kind of bottom-up, community-driven processes that are a central feature of the Internet Number Community. This approach has been fundamental in making the Internet a truly global resource. It is very satisfying to see the input of so many stakeholders explicitly reflected in the ICG's proposal, and I believe that the solution presented here successfully meets the needs of the Internet Number Community, and of all IANA stakeholders."

- Izumi Okutani, Consolidated RIR IANA Stewardship Proposal (CRISP) Team Chair

"The events of this week, here at ICANN55 in Marrakech, represent another significant step in the long process to better operationalize the global community's shared stewardship of the IANA functions. The Regional Internet Registries have been pleased to help facilitate our communities' contributions to this important process. We understand that U.S. Government approval is still

needed, and we stand ready to work with ICANN and all of the IANA stakeholders towards full implementation of the ICG and CCWG-Accountability proposals."

- Oscar Robles, Number Resource Organization (NRO) Chair

"It has been an absolute pleasure to work within the Internet community to form this proposal, and it has been inspiring to work with so many dedicated and competent stakeholders. The IANA stewardship transition process has truly proven the relevance of inclusive, transparent, and bottom-up decision making. Not only are these the principles that have created the Internet that we have today, but they are key in ensuring the Internet can continue to meet the needs a growing global community."

- Nurani Nimpuno, Consolidated RIR IANA Stewardship Proposal (CRISP) Team Vice Chair

Domain Names Community

"The Internet is a unique global resource that is ever more woven into every aspect of human existence. It is fitting that the stewardship of a critical internet resource, such as the domain name system, transitions to the global, multistakeholder community. The work of the domain name community to develop part of a proposal for this transition has been undertaken with focus, enthusiasm and diligence. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to be in a leadership position in this collaborative effort."

- Jonathan Robinson, Cross Community Working Group to Develop an IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal on Naming Related Functions (CWG-Stewardship) co-Chair

"The Internet and the digital ecosystem are global. Today's decisions recognise the role of the Internet community and of stakeholders in the governance of the Internet. As a co-Chair of the CWG-Stewardship I have experienced a unique joint effort by all stakeholders to improve internet governance and I believe we have created two strong proposals to enhance the multistakeholder model. Let's continue building on this positive experience to empower the future work on the transition."

- Lise Fuhr, Cross Community Working Group to Develop an IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal on Naming Related Functions (CWG-Stewardship) co-Chair and Director General of ETNO

Protocol Parameters Community

"This is the Internet working: scores of people from all over the globe come together to make one large thing out of many disparate parts."

- Andrew Sullivan, Chair, Internet Architecture Board
- "The transition plan is a part of our communities' ongoing work to improve the Internet, and we are proud of it. We at the Internet Engineering Task Force are committed to continuing to work together with the other communities to implement this plan."
- Jari Arkko, Chair, Internet Engineering Task Force