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RE: IANA Naming Function Review ("IFR") - Request for Resolution of Issues

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Dear Chairs, Co-Chairs, and Executive Committee:

Thank you for the notifications regarding your organizations' appointment of member and liaison to the IANA Naming Function Review Team ("IFRT"). We have been working on confirming how each of the appointments align with the Bylaws and have identified two issues that we'd like to bring to your attention for resolution.

The first issue that we'd like to raise to you for resolution is the lack of APAC representation on the IFRT. ICANN Bylaws Section 18.8(c) states: "IFRT should include members from each ICANN Geographic Region." We ask that your appointing organizations consider how selections can be modified so as to meet this Bylaws requirement. If resolution is not reached by 25 January 2019, ICANN org will convene a call for appointing organizations to discuss and identify path forward to meet this Bylaws requirement.

The second issue relates to the ccNSO appointments. As per Section 18.7(b) of the ICANN Bylaws, the ccNSO is required to appoint one representative from a non-ccNSO ccTLD to the review team. We have been informed by the ccNSO that despite efforts undertaken, it has not been able to identify a volunteer for this seat. Please see attached a letter from Katrina Sataki, the Chair of the ccNSO, explaining the process that the ccNSO has taken. To enable the IFR to proceed, the ccNSO has decided to appoint a ccNSO ccTLD representative on a interim basis to fill this seat until a volunteer from a non-ccNSO ccTLD steps forward. This interim appointment would give the ccNSO three seats on the IFRT. ICANN org is not in a position to agree to an interpretation of the Bylaws that is not aligned with the community-developed requirements of this review as defined through the IANA Stewardship Transition process, but would not oppose to the appointment if the other appointing organizations do not object.

The ccNSO has requested that ICANN org coordinate the outreach to your organizations to inquire whether your organizations object the interim appointment by the ccNSO. Accordingly, we ask that you consider the ccNSO proposal and inform us of any objections by 25 January 2019. If there are no expressed objections by any of the appointing organizations by this date, we will assume that the appointing organizations take no issue with the interim appointment by the ccNSO.

Kind Regards,

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Attachment: [Letter from the ccNSO to all IFRT appointing organizations](#), Re: ccNSO Council Appointment of Interim Candidate on IFRT, 07 December 2018