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## Governmental Advisory Committee

8 December 2023

Tripti Sinha  
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors

Re: ccNSO Proposed Policy with Respect to a Review Mechanism for Some Decisions Pertaining to ccTLDs

Dear Tripti,

Thank you for your 24 August letter asking if the GAC believes there are policy issues raised by the recent recommendations developed by the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) regarding review mechanisms pertaining to specific decisions on the delegation, transfer, revocation, and retirement of country code top-level domains.

Subsequent to your letter, the GAC submitted public comments on 27 September 2023 (see [GAC Comments](#)) in which the committee identified aspects of the Country Code Review Mechanism (CCRM) Manager selection and the stress testing of the proposed review processes as matters for further examination or consideration. In its comments, the GAC also reminded the community that the recommended review mechanism should respect and duly protect the rights and benefits of all parties that have concluded ccTLD agreements or other similar instruments with ICANN.

Subsequent to the filing of those September comments, GAC members have not identified any additional issues of policy regarding the recommendations, and it is my understanding that the GAC views expressed in September are already under assessment and consideration by the Board Caucus responsible for assessing the recommendations.

In view of these various developments since August, I do not anticipate further committee action regarding this matter and look forward to the Board completing its work on the ccNSO recommendations.

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Thank you very much for your outreach on this matter.

Best regards,



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