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Mr. Göran Marby
President and CEO
Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)

RE: ICANN Request for Guidance on GDPR and Providing Access to Non-Public WHOIS Data.

Dear Mr. Marby,

Thank you very much for your letter of 4 September 2018 seeking further guidance from the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) and individual GAC members related to ICANN org's interest in potential avenues for diminishing the legal risk for data controllers when responding to requests for access to non-public WHOIS data.

I am pleased with the opportunities the GAC has had to contribute to ICANN's recent efforts to achieve compliance with the new General Data Protection Regulations and am hopeful that further input can be shared with the organization.

The GAC leadership has read the letter and circulated your request to the full membership of the GAC for both collective and individual consideration. I hope your outreach can produce some useful feedback and insights for the organization.

I look forward to the opportunity to follow-up on this matter in the weeks leading up to the ICANN63 meeting in Barcelona.

Best regards,

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Chair, ICANN Governmental Advisory Committee