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Renewal of Partnership Center Collaboration between KISA and ICANN

Dear Vice President Noh,

With reference to the November 2013 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between KISA and ICANN (“KISA-ICANN MoU”) to foster collaboration between our organizations; and the Exchange of Letters between ICANN and KISA dated 4 January 2018 with respect to the establishment of the Internet and DNS Engagement Center in Seoul (“Center”), we continue to appreciate our ongoing cooperative relationship and collaboration with KISA.

We thank KISA for your commitment to continuing our collaboration in the operation of the Center.

ICANN understands that with KISA’s relocation to Naju, we will update the name of the Center as the Internet and DNS Engagement Center “in Korea” instead of “in Seoul”.

ICANN understands that KISA’s Korea Network Information Center (“KRNIC”) will act as the liaison for the Center, and will carry out specifically, though not limited to, the following activities:

- Mutually agreed programs, such as the Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy (“APIGA”);
- Assist ICANN, as necessary, to support ICANN contracted parties in Korea, particularly in bridging language and knowledge gaps; and
- Explore new areas of collaboration, particularly in technical areas supporting the Security, Stability, and Resiliency of the Internet’s unique identifier system.

ICANN understands that the KRNIC staff who will act as the liaison for the Center are in charge of the Center’s activities in partnership with the ICANN APAC Regional Office. Nothing under this arrangement constitutes them as agents and/or employees of ICANN for any purpose whatsoever.

The commitments in this letter will go into effect on 3 January 2020. ICANN commits to collaborate with KRNIC in the operation of the Center for 24 (twenty-four) months from the effective date of this letter. If KISA and ICANN wish to continue collaborating on the Center at the end of this 24-month period, we can agree to do so.

ICANN understands that the partnership activities of the Center are non-exclusive, and

either KISA or ICANN can work with other relevant organizations on areas of mutual interest per the objectives of the KISA-ICANN MoU.

ICANN understands that each party is responsible for the use of its own funds or funding sources to perform respective responsibilities for joint projects run through the Center, in a mutually agreeable manner.

In furtherance of our work together in support of the Center, ICANN understands there may be times when press releases, public announcements or public statements regarding that work may be appropriate. ICANN agrees that such statements and announcements should only be released upon consent of both parties, which consent should not be unreasonably withheld. ICANN commits to only use KISA's logo with KISA's written consent, and, if approached to sign a Trademark License agreement governing such use, ICANN shall do so. ICANN thanks KISA for its commitment to the use of ICANN's trademarks only with ICANN's prior written consent, and pursuant to the terms of Trademark License Agreement if requested by ICANN.

Should either party find its support of the Center no longer possible on the terms identified in this letter, ICANN agrees that either party may rescind its commitments reflected in this Exchange of Letters upon 60-days' written notice.

Nothing contained in this letter shall give rise to any liability, monetary or otherwise, by either one to the other.

We look forward to continuing our long and mutually beneficial relationship with KISA.

Yours sincerely,



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