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S. Valere  
Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation  
Republic of Mauritius

Dear Permanent Secretary Valere,

I would like to thank you for your letter bringing to our attention your country's concerns regarding the AFRINIC court proceedings in Mauritian Courts. We understand the gravity of the situation, and like you, we also have great trust in AFRINIC and recognize its crucial role in maintaining the security, stability, and resilience of the Internet.

ICANN and others in the global community are committed to supporting the stability and security of the Internet in the African region and the world. As you may be aware, ICANN has contributed to the Outsourcing & Telecommunications Association of Mauritius to provide support for AFRINIC's operations during the time when its bank accounts are frozen. ICANN's contribution is an effort to avoid any impact to the overall security and stability of the Internet's unique identifier systems.

We appreciate your taking the time to write to us. I would request that you please continue to keep us informed of any further concerns regarding AFRINIC's situation.

Sincerely,



Göran Marby  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
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