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To

Mr. Fadi Chehade, CEO and President

**Sub: Documents submitted to the NTIA relating to the postponement of the IANA Transition**

In furtherance of ICANN's DIDP process, we would like to request information on the postponement of the IANA Transition.

On August 17, 2015, the NTIA issued a notice<sup>1</sup> where it stated *“When we announced our intent in March 2014 to complete the privatization of the DNS, we noted that the base period of our contract with ICANN to perform technical functions related to the DNS, known as the IANA functions, expired on September 30, 2015. However, it has become increasingly apparent over the last few months that the community needs time to complete its work, have the plan reviewed by the U.S. Government and then implement it if it is approved.*

*Accordingly, in May we asked the groups developing the transition documents how long it would take to finish and implement their proposals. After factoring in time for public comment, U.S. Government evaluation and implementation of the proposals, the community estimated it could take until at least September 2016 to complete this process. In response to their feedback, we informed Congress on Friday that we plan to extend our IANA contract with ICANN for one year to September 30, 2016. Beyond 2016, we have options to extend the contract for up to three additional years if needed.”*

In this respect, we would like to request you for all transition documents submitted by ICANN, from

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1 <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/blog/2015/update-iana-transition>

March 14, 2014 through August 17, 2015, relating to the IANA transition including those that were requested in May 2015 according to NTIA's blog dated August 17, 2015.

We hope that our request will be processed within the stipulated time period of 30 days. Do let us know if you require any clarifications on our queries.

Thank you very much.

Warm regards,

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