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Questions Concerning the Proposal as a Whole

1) Completeness and clarity: Is the combined proposal complete? Each of the operational community proposals contains aspects to be completed in the future when the proposal is implemented. Is the combined proposal specified in sufficient detail such that it can be evaluated against the NTIA criteria?

Yes it is.

2) Compatibility and interoperability: Do the operational community proposals work together in a single proposal? Do they suggest any incompatible arrangements where compatibility appears to be required? Is the handling of any conflicting overlaps between the functions resolved in a workable manner?

There exists high degree of compatibility and interoperability in the proposal.

3) Accountability: Do the operational community proposals together include appropriate and properly supported independent accountability mechanisms for running the IANA functions? Are there any gaps in overall accountability under the single proposal?

No gaps identified at this time.

4) Workability: Do the results of any tests or evaluations of workability that were included in the operational community proposals conflict with each other or raise possible concerns when considered in combination?

Of course there are always concerns over uncertainties but it is apparent that the structure and frameworks proposed provide confidence about safeguards to mitigate any worst case scenarios.

Questions Concerning NTIA Criteria

5) Do you believe the proposal supports and enhances the multistakeholder model? If yes, please explain why. If not, please explain why and what proposal modifications you believe are necessary.

Yes it does support and enhance the multi-stakeholder model. This is because it recognized and utilized extensively the existing bottom-up consensus driven processes involving all stakeholders including governments, business, civil society, the academic and technical communities.

6) Do you believe the proposal maintains the security, stability, and resiliency of the DNS? If yes, please explain why. If not, please explain why and what proposal modifications you believe are necessary.

Yes it does. This is because the existing working structure that has been adjudged satisfactory is to be sustained and enhanced in the proposal; thereby maintaining the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS in the post NTIA regime.

7) Do you believe the proposal meets the needs and expectations of the global customers and partners of the IANA services? If yes, please explain why. If not, please explain why and what proposal modifications you believe are necessary. Please indicate if you are a customer or partner of the IANA services.

Yes it does because they are happy with it and we too!

8) Do you believe the proposal maintains the openness of the Internet? If yes, please explain why. If not, please explain why and what proposal modifications you believe are necessary.

Yes it does as the proposal sustains the critical working mechanism for the openness of the Internet.

9) Do you have any concerns that the proposal is replacing NTIA's role with a governmentled or inter-governmental organization solution? If yes, please explain why and what proposal modifications you believe are necessary. If not, please explain why.

No. The proposal is not replacing the NTIA's role with a government-led or inter-governmental organization. Rather, the proposal shows an ecosystem led by all relevant and interested stakeholders.

10) Do you believe that the implementation of the proposal will continue to uphold the NTIA criteria in the future? If yes, please explain why. If not, please explain why and what proposal modifications you believe are necessary.

Yes I believe so unless there is any overwhelming reason why it may not be sustained and that would be determined by all stakeholders through the same process the current arrangement is achieved. But by and large and based on experience, it is most likely that the proposal will uphold the NTIA criteria in the future.

Questions Concerning ICG Report and Executive Summary

11) Do you believe the ICG report and executive summary accurately reflect all necessary aspects of the overall proposal? If not, please explain what modifications you believe are necessary.

Yes it does.

General Questions

12) Do you have any general comments for the ICG about the proposal?

AfICTA wishes to thank all the 30 community representatives and support personnel for their constructive engagements over many hours of conference calls, sleep-less nights, travels and face-to-face meetings resulting in the production of this proposal. The work of the ICG has shown that it is possible for the world to come together and resolve common challenges based on shared value for progress based on trust and mutual respect.