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To all concerned,

The following are the comments gathered during ICANN and CWG outreach programme in Kenya.

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## **Background**

The community commends the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group ICG, the CCWG and the CWG for their continuous efforts in developing a proposal for a smooth transition of the IANA functions from NTIA to the global Internet Community.

The community marks this as an important step in the history of the Internet and a great opportunity for the community to strengthen its role in the global Information Society. The community also commends the NTIA for its gesture in transferring its oversight role on the IANA function to the global internet community.

## **The proposal**

The Kenyan Internet Community supports the transition of the oversight role of the IANA functions from the NTIA to the global multistakeholder community taking into consideration the proposals made by the Cross Community Working Group on Accountability and the Cross Community working groups with particular emphasis on governance and accountability issues that will guide the global multi-stakeholder organization that will take over the oversight function.

ICANN has always been consultative, the issue of jurisdiction remains a concern and therefore, the final proposal should have mechanisms to ensure that principles that have guided ICANN guide any dispute resolution. The proposal should therefore include commitment to open Internet and principles such as multistakeholderism as well as transparency and accountability.