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Dear Steve,

In accordance with a recommendation from the Working Group on Delegation and Redelegation and Retirement of ccTLDs, the ccNSO has established a Framework of Interpretation Working Group (FOIWG).

The FOIWG has been tasked with developing a framework for interpreting the current policies and guidelines relating to the delegation and re-delegation of ccTLDs.

The FOIWG comprises of members of the ccNSO and GAC, together with liaisons from GNSO and At-Large communities and IANA staff members, participating as experts.

As this is very much a cross-constituency matter, the ccNSO wishes to invite a liaison from the ICANN Board to serve on this Working Group, in order to ensure the ICANN Board is directly informed of the progress of the WG and any recommendations it might make.

It is a busy group, often meeting weekly for 2 hour conference calls, and as such is likely to only appeal to Board members who have a strong interest in the policy aspects surrounding ccTLD delegations and re-delegations. Further details of the FOIWG are online at http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/foiwg.htm

If there is an interest from an ICANN Board member in this liaison role and in joining this working group, please let me know and they will be most welcome.

I have copied Rod, Heather and other ICANN staff for their information, ditto Chris and Mike due to their associations with the ccNSO. Keith is copied as WG Chair and Bart is copied in his capacity as advisor to the group - both will be able to assist with any queries.

Kind regards,

Lesley

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