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Re: Request for ICANN Board Liaison to the Transfer Policy Review (TPR) Policy Development Process

Tripti Sinha Chair, ICANN Board of Directors

Dear Tripti,

I am writing to request that the ICANN Board consider appointing a Board Liaison to the GNSO Policy Development Process (PDP) for the Transfer Policy Review (TPR). Roger Carney, the PDP Chair, and Osvaldo Novoa, GNSO Council Liaison to the TPR PDP, have expressed to the GNSO Council that a Board Liaison would be an important addition to the PDP Working Group at this juncture.

The TPR Working Group is quickly approaching the publication of its comprehensive Initial Report, which will cover all of the questions in its <u>Charter</u>. The GNSO Council, on behalf of the TPR Working Group Leadership, requests an ICANN Board liaison to regularly observe the Working Group in order to ensure the ICANN Board has someone closely familiar with the Working Group's eventual policy recommendations. ¹This is in part because the draft policy recommendations represent a large departure from the current ICANN Transfer Policy.

The GNSO Council believes the following criteria may be helpful to the Board in selecting a liaison:

- Knowledge of the <u>Transfer Policy</u>;
- Knowledge of ICANN policies and procedures, registry/registrar services, and the domain name life cycle as they relate to the <u>Transfer Policy</u>;
- Knowledge of GNSO policy development processes;
- Commitment to participating in Working Group meetings on a regular and ongoing basis.

For more detailed information on the TPR Working Group's mission, scope, and composition, please refer to the TPR Working Group <u>Charter</u>. If the Board is agreeable to appointing a Liaison, we request this be done by 24 June 2024 by informing the GNSO Secretariat at <u>gnso-secs@icann.org</u>.

Best regards,

Greg DiBiase GNSO Chair

¹As a reminder, the ICANN Board has resolved on two separate occasions to defer enforcement of existing consensus policy requirements; first, related to the <u>Change of Registrant and Addition/Removal of Privacy/Proxy</u> <u>Services</u>, and second, related to the <u>Gaining Form of Authorization</u>.