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Manal Ismail
Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

RE: ICANN73 Virtual Community Forum GAC Communiqué

Dear Manal,

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of the ICANN74 Policy Forum GAC Communiqué. As mentioned in the Joint Session: ICANN Board and GAC on 15 June 2022, the Board would like to thank the GAC for an informative discussion concerning several topics of importance and the continued support and interest received from governments around the world.

The Board notes that the ICANN74 Policy Forum GAC Communiqué does not contain new Consensus Advice, as defined in the ICANN Bylaws. The Communiqué does, however, contain seven (7) "issues of importance", which covers the topics of System for Standardized Access and Disclosure (SSAD) of gTLD Registration Data, Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs, EPDP on Specific Curative Rights Protections for IGOs, Accuracy of Registration Data, DNS Abuse Mitigation, Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (including UDRP and Geographical Indicators and Review of the UDRP), and New gTLD Auction Proceeds.

As was done with previous Communiqués, a meeting between the Board and the GAC will be scheduled in the near future to discuss the ICANN74 Policy Forum GAC Communiqué.

The Board thanks the GAC again for its efforts in producing the Communiqué, and we look forward to discussing it with you at our next meeting.

Sincerely,

Maarten Botterman
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors