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**Objet :** New gTLD Auction Proceeds - Formation of a Drafting Team

Dear Steve,

As a follow up concerning the next steps on the matter of New gTLD Auction Proceeds: the GNSO Council has reviewed the updated discussion paper and public comments received, both of which confirm support to proceed with a CCWG. As such, I have contacted the leadership of all ICANN SO/ACs and invited them to designate up to two volunteers for a drafting team that will develop a charter for this CCWG. The GNSO Council has put forward Jonathan Robinson and Tony Harris as its volunteers.

Because the Board has expressed an interest in this subject, I would welcome your thoughts on how you envision Board engagement on this effort. The discussion paper raises a number of questions in relation to the Board's role in this process (*see: "**Board involvement:** Clarify what the expected / desired involvement and role of the Board is, both with regards to participation but also how the Board is expected to consider the CCWG recommendations following approval by the chartering organizations (see for example how this was dealt with in the CCWG-Accountability- [https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2014-10-16-en#2.d](https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2014-10-16-en#2.d)))"*) so any thoughts or input on these questions from the Board, either initially or via participation on the drafting team, would be extremely valuable.

I've asked ICANN SO/ACs to provide their feedback by 20 January. If at all possible, please provide some indication by that date on how you anticipate the Board plans to engage. Of course, if you would like to discuss this further, let me know and we can set up a call.

Thanks, and best regards --

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