Dear SG/C leaders,

Hope this email finds you all well.

As you know, following an invitation from the Board, the GNSO and the GAC will enter into a dialogue to "formulate a workable framework to identify and handle closed generic applications for the immediate next round of new gTLDs", and in this dialogue we will be joined by ALAC.

Council leadership would like to invite each Stakeholder Group to select a representative for this dialogue. This group is would ideally have a first informal meeting during ICANN 75, so we would appreciate if you would let us know the name of your representative ideally by September 19th.

The attached document provides the guidance for this appointment.

I would finally like to draw your attention to the spirit of involvement in this effort:

- the framework discussion will focus on options other than the two endpoint positions (i.e. no closed generics at all; closed generics without restrictions) as per the Board's Proposed Parameters for Dialogue
- the participants will "contribute as independent individuals, bringing their individual experiences
 and expertise, and not serve as representatives of their respective community organization(s).
 The participants must commit to focusing on successfully developing a framework for closed
 generics, even if the end product is inconsistent with the goals or priorities of the participant or
 the participant's SO/AC/SG/C." (Council small team report)

Looking forward to hearing from you, and wishing you all safe travels to KL.

Best regards, Philippe

Board/GNSO correspondence:

- 6 Mar 2022 Letter from Maarten Botterman to Manal Ismail and Philippe Fouquart including the framing paper
- 27 April 2022 Letter from Philippe Fouquart to Maarten Botterman
- 19 May 2022 Letter from Maarten Botterman to Philippe Fouquart
- 29 Jun 2022 Letter from Philippe Fouquart to Maarten Botterman and Manal Ismail
- <u>25 Jul 2022 Letter from Maarten Botterman to Philippe Fouquart and Manal Ismail</u>

Council small team report: https://gnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/policy/2022/draft/draft-closed-generics-small-team-report-24jun22-en.pdf [gnso.icann.org]