



February 12, 2010

Mr. Rod Beckstrom  
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Dear Mr. Beckstrom,

In light of the security concerns surrounding the 37<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, including ICANN's February 11, 2010 announcement concerning the specific and credible terrorist threat to the Nairobi meeting conference venue, Neustar has decided it will not send its representatives to Kenya.

Since ICANN's inception, Neustar has been a regular supporter and sponsor of ICANN's global, regional and national meetings, including physically attending nearly every ICANN meeting to date. We had planned to attend the Nairobi meeting, but the latest security update has unfortunately forced us to reconsider. With several key policy issues still unresolved, this was not an easy decision for us to make. I am disappointed Neustar had to choose between the safety of its employees and on-site participation in the meeting.

If the meeting goes forward as planned, Neustar will attempt to participate via the remote participation facilities provided by ICANN. We strongly encourage ICANN to use its best efforts to ensure those capabilities are adequate to support all who are not in physical attendance and that no decisions are made at these meetings that would have an impact on those not physically present unless remote participation is possible.

We regret having to make this difficult choice but are confident our decision is prudent in light of recent developments.

Sincerely,

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Neustar, Inc.