

13 November 2020

Manal Ismail Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

RE: ICANN69 Virtual Annual General Meeting GAC Communiqué

Dear Ms. Manal Ismail,

I'm writing to acknowledge receipt of the <u>ICANN69 Virtual Annual General Meeting GAC</u>
<u>Communiqué</u>. The Board thanks the GAC for its continued efforts in producing the Communiqué virtually during this unique time.

The Board notes that the ICANN69 GAC Communiqué contains no new Consensus Advice, as defined in the ICANN Bylaws. However, it does contain a section on "Issues of Importance", which covers topics such as subsequent rounds of new generic top-level domains (gTLDs), Domain Name System (DNS) abuse, and access to gTLD registration data.

As was done with the <u>ICANN68 Virtual Policy Forum GAC Communiqué</u>, the Board-GAC Interactions Group (BGIG) Chair, Becky Burr, is happy to set up a meeting with GAC leadership to discuss the Communiqué and these issues identified by the GAC in detail.

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

Sincerely,

Maarten Botterman

Chair, ICANN Board of Directors