

## Empowered Community Administration Brief for the ccNSO Council

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### Period Covered by this Brief

1 August to 19 September 2019.

### ECA Meetings/Teleconferences

None.

### Communications from the NomCom

The following communications were received from the NomCom:

Date Received	Description	ECA Response Required	ECA Response Date
19.08.2019	NomCom Selected Nominees to the ICANN Board of Directors (Seats 4, 5, and 6)	Yes; to ICANN Corporate Secretary	26.08.2019

### Communications from the ICANN Secretary

The following communications were received from the ICANN Secretary:

Date Received	Description	ECA Response Required	ECA Response Date
13.09.2019	Board Notice of Board Approval of Standard Bylaws Amendment re RSSAC Leadership Composition	No	N/A
13.09.2019	Board Notice of Board Approval of Standard Bylaws Amendment re SSAC Leadership Composition	No	N/A
13.09.2019	Approval Action Board Notice of Fundamental Bylaws Amendment re IFR Composition	No	N/A

### Communications to the ICANN Secretary and Decisional Participants

The following notices were transmitted to the Decisional Participants and the ICANN Secretary:

Date Sent	Method	Description
26.08.2019	E only	Board seat 4 selection notification letter (Maarten Botterman)
26.08.2019	E only	Board seat 5 selection notification letter (Mandla Msimang)
26.08.2019	E only	Board seat 6 selection notification letter (Ihab Osman)

Note: Under "Method", "E" means electronic delivery and "P" means delivery via Post.

Besides the formal communications documented above, there have been several email exchanges between myself and ICANN legal regarding the defective composition of their correspondence

regarding the standard bylaw changes for RSSAC and SSAC. The issue is outstanding, but resolvable. Note that none of the formal correspondence from the ICANN Corporate Secretary documented above (RSSAC, SSAC, and the Fundamental Bylaw change) has been published on the ICANN website (<https://www.icann.org/en/ec/correspondence>) as of the preparation of this brief.

### Expected Notices and Correspondence

No formal correspondence from the ICANN Secretary is expected in the immediate future, other than the correction of the defective formal notifications regarding the Standard Bylaw changes regarding the RSSAC and SSAC noted previously.

### Current Outstanding Approval Action and Rejection Actions

Action Type	Description	Status	Termination Date
Approval	Article 18, Section 18.7(b) Bylaw change (IFR).	Approval Action Community Forum scheduled for 08:30 – 09:30h on 03.11.2019 in Montréal.	N/A
Rejection	Article 12, Section 12.2(c) Bylaw change (RSSAC).	Rejection Action Petition Period	04.10.2019
Rejection	Article 12, Section 12.2(b)(ii) Bylaw change (SSAC).	Rejection Action Petition Period	04.10.2019

### Anticipated Activities

An Approval Action Community Forum has been scheduled during the ICANN 66 meeting in Montréal, Canada between 08.30h — 09.30h local time on Sunday, 3 November 2019.

In accordance with Annex D, Section 1.3(5) of the Bylaws, this Forum will be managed and moderated by the Empowered Community Administration.

Logistical and Forum format and content issues are being discussed between ICANN Staff, and the Empowered Community Administration. These discussions are ongoing. The Empowered Community Administration expects that at least one representative from the ccNSO Council will be present at the forum to the explain to the Community the rationale behind the Fundamental Bylaw change.

### Empowered Community Administration Issues

As we are approaching the third-year anniversary of the transition of ICANN/IANA from NTIA oversight, it is evident that there are still some serious outstanding issues regarding the relationship between the Empowered Community Administration, ICANN org, and ICANN legal. They are, in my view resolvable with better sustained and regular communication. There is recognition amongst all parties for this, and we will be meeting in Montréal to both do a “reset” and seek a better path forward.

I would also like to note that the Empowered Community Administration members need to do a better job of communicating with each other. This is also something I hope we can achieve at the Montréal meeting.