## **Statement**

Since I joined the leadership of AFRALO in 2020, my commitment has been demonstrated through multiple actions that I have made and led during all these years. I have indeed contributed to all outreach and engagement actions by organizing several webinars and training (on-site and virtual). I was also one of the main organizers of the various General Assemblies (Dakar, London, Johannesburg), where We've been able to bring together all ALSs. The objectives of these actions were not only to sensitize our ALSs to the ICANN Policy development process, but also to involve them more in issues addressed by ICANN in order to increase the effectiveness of the Africa's participation through its end users.

During my 2 term as AFRALO Chair and AFRALO VC, thanks to the effort of all, we have succeeded to have a significant increase in the number of ALS. AFRALO today represents more than 61 members representing different countries of our continent. These ALSs are all working for Human development through ICTs locally. They represent an important cultural, ethnic and linguistic diversity that is the strength of our RALO, as they now offer the possibility for individual Internet end user to join.

I am also proud that my ALS organized two ICANN meetings (55 & 65) on African soil that I had the pleasure to lead successfully. My pride would be even greater when other African ALSs could host meetings in their countries in the future.

Thank you to all who always support me. I am committed to sharing my experience and skills to help my colleagues to continue this evolution so that our RALO continues to progress and defend in the most effective way the end users of the Internet on our continent.

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