Accountability & Transparency Review Team 2 (ATRT 2)
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PRELIMINARY REPORT

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The Accountability and Transparency Review Team 2 (ATRT2) undertook the following during this session:

a) Opening Remarks & ATRT 1

The Review Team Selectors welcomed the ATRT 2 Members and expressed their gratitude. The Review Team Members were invited to introduce themselves and to share their hopes, expectations and preliminary thoughts. This triggered a discussion on the desired approach to embrace at this early stage in the process. A large majority of Members emphasized the importance of reviewing the recommendations produced by the ATRT 1 in light of the current environment and to track the achievements and implementation work conducted since. A number of RT Members observed that ICANN's accountability and transparency from an external point of view should also be an important component to factor in (public interest etc).

b) Chairing the Review Team

The Review Team Members agreed to defer the election of the Review Team Chair and Vice Chair to their face-to-face meeting. Members interested in the leader positions should signal their interest prior to the election. Lise Fuhr volunteered for the Vice-Chair position and Xinsheng Zhang nominated Brian Cute for the Chair role. Alternative structures were suggested and will be discussed in due course. The ATRT 1 alumni shared their experience from the ATRT 1 elections and Brian Cute, Chair of the ATRT 1, provide guidance and lessons learned from his position on the first ATRT. Heather Dryden and Steve Crocker agreed to act as interim Chairs in the meantime.

c) Upcoming Face-to-Face Meeting & Preparations

The Review Team Members confirmed their availability to participate in the upcoming face-to-face meeting in Los Angeles: 14-15 March 2013. The Interim Review Team Chairs volunteered to circulate a proposed agenda in anticipation of the meeting and encouraged Members to submit any suggestions or requests they may have. Staff will provide an orientation on implementation of ATRT 1 recommendations in line with the Team's request. Reading materials will be distributed on the email list in preparation for the session. Meeting logistics will be circulated as soon as available. Fiona Alexander offered to facilitate the letters of invitation process for the Los Angeles meeting.

The Review Team pre-discussed the Beijing meeting and set of suggested dates. No agreement was reached on this matter. In consideration of the visa application procedures and travel arrangement processes, the Interim Chairs strongly recommended that a decision be made on the email list in the upcoming days.

Staff was tasked to put a strawman calendar (including calls) forward for the Review Team's consideration.

d) Reaching out to Unselected Candidates

The Review Team previously agreed on the email list to reach out to unselected candidates with a view to collecting their unique feedback and comments on the ATRT 2. This interaction could be held during the first ATRT 2 face-to-face meeting. Members are to suggest a format or modalities that could be used for this exchange.

d) ATRT 2 Toolbox

A number of Review Team Members suggested tools to conduct their work in an efficient and transparent way. While it was stressed that the ATRT 2 could follow a different path, the Review Team Members agreed that the Team ought to operate in a transparent way. Members' suggestions are welcome.