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Comments

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<style type="text/css"><!--P { margin-bottom: 0.08in; } --></style>
<p style="margin-bottom: 0in"><font face="Liberation Serif, serif">I applaud the work of the ccwg-accountability team and appreciate the opportunity to comment.</font></p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in"><font face="Liberation Serif, serif">Your proposal to replace the current US government backstop on IANA function oversight by empowering ICANN's current membership structure is both simple and efficient.</font></p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in"><font face="Liberation Serif, serif">The past few years of mismanagement inside ICANN have demonstrated a necessity to place such overriding powers outside of the management and board.</font></p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in"><font face="Liberation Serif, serif">Your framework offers a mechanism to not only fix the problems of inexperienced or mismatched (with mission/core values) management but to also shine a brighter light on internal operations to improve much needed transparency.</font></p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in"><font face="Liberation Serif, serif">From the inside looking out, ICANN's failures all seemed to be due to the general lack of experience with the community and Internet governance diplomacy from those at the helm.</font></p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in"><font face="Liberation Serif, serif">This has led to multiple breaches and errors in judgment and short sighted decisions that have caused the exodus of key talent from IANA operations and a "circle the wagons", "hire only [inexperienced] friends", stop work, "hide everything" disease in the organization - instead of transparent and responsible operations.</font></p>
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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Current articles on ICANN's strong push to get the IFO assigned to it forever should give us all pause. This odd behavior is in line with what I had observed inside.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">With the ability to recall the board or dismiss individual board members as well as directly effect board/management/staff decisions on strategic plans and budget, the community will finally have an effective recourse to such self-serving behavior.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Furthermore, enshrining a mechanism for the community to veto or approve ICANN's bylaws, mission, commitments and core values is an excellent way to ensure ICANN only attracts the right talent in the board and executive levels.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Your detailed work on the bylaws is most welcome as they have long needed updating to align with what ICANN actually does and be strengthened to limit mission creep...and to ensure ICANN's decisions are for public benefit - not just a particular set of stakeholders or ICANN itself.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">I believe your proposals made in the Report will solve the numerous problems extending up and down the current and future management chains, ensuring accountability, and going a long way to making the multistakeholder experiment succeed and become a model for others.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Now for the Questions.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">1b yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">2 I believe the thresholds proposed are sufficient at this time.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">4a yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">4b yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">5a
yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">5b
yes</p>

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yes</p>

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yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">8
YES</p>

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none</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">10 para 191
is reasonable as a start. We should have the ability to change later.</p>

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yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">11b
yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">12a
yes</p>

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yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">13a
yes</p>

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yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">14a
yes</p>

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yes</p>

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yes</p>

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yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">16a
yes</p>

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yes</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">17a
yes</p>

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yes</p>

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yes</p>

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yes</p>

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none</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">paragraphs:</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">406 Although it may be out of scope, a 6th stress test category might be capture of root zone by ITU or other body. As there is no legal or technical barrier to such an event - only reputation and political (e.g. arising from para 499). Thus far the US government has provided political cover from this. I see para 596 attempts to address but may be insufficient.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">452-454 PTI should be forced to publish any audit results in full (e.g. SOC2) and have separate legal advisors from ICANN. e.g., para 549.</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">581, 657 - and reputation loss that could lead to capture.</p>

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YES!</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">613 From past community discussions, if community driven, an "ICANN foundation" may be a desirable outcome.</p>

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YES!</p>

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YES!</p>

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<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Regards,</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Sue Randel</p>

<p style="margin-bottom: 0in">Former contracting staff in fear of retaliation.</p>

(A whistle
blower protection element in the Bylaws would force much greater transparency
into the organization as well.)</p>

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