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Italian Comments on the CCWG-Accountability Second Draft Proposal

Italy welcomes the Cross Community Working Group (CCWG) Accountability Second Draft Proposal and wants to commend the CCWG-Accountability members and the Co-Chairs for their strenuous, hard and valuable work.

Furthermore, Italy welcomes the statement by the National Telecommunications Information Administration (NTIA) on 14 March 2014, announcing its "Intent to Transition Key Internet Domain Name Functions".

We are pleased to respond to the call for public comment on the proposal.

Firstly, we would like to recall that the governance of Internet is expected to include all stakeholders in order to duly take into account the interests of all of them, including governments.

Indeed, governments have primary, legal and political accountability for the protection public interest regarding public policy issues at national level.

We believe that the full participation of governments on public policy issues should be allowed in the Community Empowered Mechanisms.

For that reason, it's our opinion that GAC should have not less power than now in the new framework.

The GAC should retain its current influence, within its prerogative,

- whatever voting member or advisory committee
- whatever decision-making process will be chosen by the GAC.

Any GAC advice shall be duly taken into account, both in the formulation and in adoption of policies.

To conclude, we reaffirm our strong commitment to contribute to the reform of Internet Governance.

Yours sincerely,

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