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LACTLD Board Comments: Third Draft Proposal CCWG Accountability

LACTLD (Latin American and Caribbean ccTLD Organization) is very grateful of the effort put by the members of the CCWG Accountability in developing this revised proposal and the possibility to provide comments facing the aggressive deadlines to meet with the IANA Stewardship Transition.

Recommendation #1: Establishing an Empowered Community for Enforcing Community Powers

The LACTLD Board supports the empowered community and the mechanisms for enforcing community powers as provided in the proposal though the Sole Designator Model. It also accepts the threshold levels proposed and these should be considered a minimal operation platform.

Recommendation #2: Empowering the community through consensus: engage, escalate, enforce

The LACTLD Board also supports the engagement, escalation and enforcement process.

As recommendation for WS 2 when the time of implementation comes, the work on engagement processes should specially consider linguistic barriers to enhance awareness and meaningful participation, essential perquisites for the work of an empowered community.

Recommendation #3: Redefining ICANN's Bylaws as 'Standard Bylaws' and 'Fundamental Bylaws'

The LACTLD Board is highly supportive of the redefinition proposed in the document between *Standard* and *Fundamental* Bylaws.

Recommendation #4: Ensuring community involvement in ICANN decision-making: seven new Community Powers

The Board of LACTLD supports the inclusion of additional clarification on the role of operating communities served by the IANA functions in acceptance or rejection of the IANA Functions Budget. It recommends further clarity on the role of IANA customers in the particular issue of the IANA Functions Budget and further consultation to the IANA customers in the implementation phase of WS2 for the particular subject of the IANA Functions Budget and community mechanisms for acceptance and rejection with particular consideration for the direct IANA customers / operators.

Recommendation #5: Changing aspects of ICANN's Mission, Commitments and Core Values

We support the changes proposed inasmuch as they serve to classify and refine the different

components. In particular we find it is particularly relevant to distinguish in the bylaws the Commitment and Core Values and most importantly the specification of ICANN's scope and remit which does not encompass DNS - content regulation.

Recommendation #6: Reaffirming ICANN's Commitment to respect internationally recognized Human Rights as it carries out its mission

The LACTLD Board is supportive of the approach to explicitly acknowledge the respect for Human Rights in its mission so as to safeguard the integrity and the openness of the Internet.

Recommendation #7: Strengthening ICANN's Independent Review Process

The LACTLD Board supports the proposed approach for the IRP but recommends further consistency in the wording and implementation following the definition of its scope in paragraph 228.

[A minor comment: paragraph 230, third bullet point needs to be amended to reflect the change from the Sole Member to Sole Designator model].

Recommendation #8: Fortifying ICANN's Request for Reconsideration Process

The LACTLD Board supports the measures proposed to strengthen the ICANN's request for reconsideration process.

Recommendation #9: Incorporation of the Affirmation of Commitments

The LACTLD Board supports the incorporation of the Affirmation of Commitments reviews into the Bylaws.

Recommendation #10: Enhancing the accountability of Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees

The Board of LACTLD is highly supportive of the measures proposed to enhance SO and AC accountability. For the implementation phase further clarification should be provided on these principles and mechanisms, particularly considering the mechanisms to enforce and redress accountability for the SOs and ACs.

Recommendation #11: Board obligations with regards to Governmental Advisory Committee Advice (Stress Test 18)

The LACTLD Board supports the recommendations with respect to GAC advice.

Recommendation #12: Committing to further accountability work in Work Stream 2

The Board of LACTLD supports the recommendations of further accountability work in the implementation phase by WS2.