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Regarding:

The Continued Transition of the Technical Coordination and Management of the Internet's Domain Name and Addressing System:

\*Midterm Review of the Joint Project Agreement\*

Sweden welcome the initiative from United States Government to request comments on the continued management, coordination, transition etc. of the DNS system (Docket No. 071023616-7616-01).

Sweden share the vision of future DNS management by an organization which can provide flexibility to development, with strong commitment to transparency and accountability, and with strong multi-stake-holder-representation and influence. We believe that ICANN to a large extent fulfill those criterias already today, or has the potential to do so in the future.

Sweden notes a significant progress made by ICANN since its inception, a view shared with European union. Sweden recognize commitment and work on

improving the advisory function of GAC inside ICANN. We hope to find a gradually broader representation by governments within the GAC. Aligned with the view of European union, we look forward to seeing in the future appropriate mechanisms to assure accountability.

The development of the Internet is a relatively fast process. The outcome of the WSIS process showed the complexity of the issue. We therefore embrace a process where mechanisms are found to gradually transform ICANN

to an organization represented by all parts of the Internet community.

Best Regards  
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