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Subject: Midterm Review of Joint Project Agreement (JPA) between USDoC and

ICANN

Re: Midterm Review

I would like to support ICANNÆs submission to the NTIA with regard to the Midterm Review of its Joint Project Agreement. In particular:

- * ICANN is meeting its responsibilities under the JPA;
- * The JPA and the seven Memorandums of Understanding before it have, over nine years, helped ICANN to become a stable organization;
- * ICANN has become more operationally efficient and has increased stakeholder participation;
- * As an organization ICANN can and should always do more and that must always be the case to keep pace with Internet developments;
- * The ICANN Board believes that the JPA should be concluded;
- * The ICANN model of multi-stakeholder participation has been developed for over nine years; and
- * We now need to finalize that model and enshrine it by the time the JPA concludes in September 2009.

This will finally deliver on the original promise proposed nine years ago on an Internet addressing system that is coordinated not controlled

Yours sincerely,

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