

17 April 2023

RE: ICANN76 Cancún GAC Communiqué

Nicolas Caballero  
Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

Dear Nicolas,

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of the [ICANN76 Cancún GAC Communiqué](#). As mentioned in the [Joint Session: ICANN Board and GAC](#) on 14 March 2023, the Board thanks the GAC for a constructive and productive dialogue and exchange of ideas. I would also like to welcome you to the Board as Chair of the Governmental Advisory Committee, and welcome the new Vice Chairs: Ola Bergström, Francis Olivier Cubahiro, Zeina Bou Harb, Nigel Hickson, and Wang Lang.

The Board notes that the ICANN76 Cancún GAC Communiqué contains:

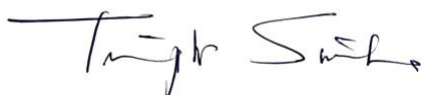
- Three matters of Consensus Advice, which cover IGO Protections, Registration Data Request Service (formerly known as the WHOIS Disclosure System), and Privacy and Proxy Services.
- Five “Issues of Importance”, which cover: Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs, DNS Abuse, Registration Data, Transparency in GNSO Participation, and Emergency Assistance Program.

As has been done with previous Communiqués containing GAC Advice, a meeting between the Board and the GAC will be scheduled in the near future to discuss the ICANN76 Cancún GAC Communiqué.

Furthermore, the Board would like to thank Manal Ismail for her invaluable contributions as a liaison to the Board from 2 November 2017 until 16 March 2023. Manal has earned the deep appreciation of the Board throughout her term of service, and the Board wishes her well in her future endeavors within the ICANN community and beyond.

The Board again thanks the GAC for its efforts in producing the Communiqué, and we look forward to discussing it with you at our next meeting.

Sincerely,



Tripti Sinha  
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors