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NOMINATION RE: THE GAMBIA'S GAC REPRESENTATION

The Gambia Government as a recent participant at ICANN50's High Level Meeting has firsthand seen the importance of being a part of ICANN's Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC). The sound level of discussions and interactions our Permanent Secretary, Mr. Lamin Camara witnessed and took part in, have left a positive impression upon him and his fellow Gambian delegate and further cemented the Gambia's decision to be officially part of the players shaping the Internet's Domain Name System (DNS) and many other important aspects that determine policies surrounding the Internet.

Now that ICANN is focusing on becoming a multi-stakeholder institution, it is timely The Gambia is not left behind in participating in this world forum. As the GAC's China delegate said during the GAC opening session, "[ICANN] is a common net space for all – every country, large or small is equal [in it].

The above statement is in line with our intentions to be part of GAC and would therefore like to take this opportunity to nominate the representatives below to be our GAC ambassadors:

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As rightly mentioned by the Honorable Minister of ICT for Côte d'Ivoire, during the Africa Session, a deeper involvement of the whole community is needed and strategic partnerships should be a key tool for success for Africa's overall participation in ICANN. He also mentioned the importance of Internet governance and said, that, "We all must participate in the governance of the Internet as it must be transparent and demonstrative."

It is in this view that The Gambia seeks a seat in GAC, in order to give voice to the overall DNS ecosystem modeling.

We submit these nominations with our highest assurance and look forward to our nominations being accepted.

Khadijatou Tambajang FOR: PERMANENT SECRETARY

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