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Ms. Manal Ismail  
Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee

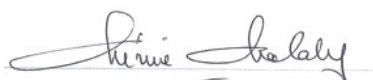
**Re: Reconvened GNSO Policy Development Process on Certain Red Cross Names**

Dear Chair Ismail,

Pursuant to Article 3, Section 3.6(iii) of the ICANN Bylaws, this letter is being sent to notify the Government Advisory Committee (GAC) that the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council has approved all the consensus recommendations from the reconvened Policy Development Process (PDP) on the names of the Red Cross International Movement and Red Cross National Societies. Article 3, Section 3.6(iii) states that *“in those cases where the policy action affects public policy concerns”*, the Board must *“take duly into account any advice timely presented by the Governmental Advisory Committee on its own initiative or at the Board’s request”*.

As required by Article 3, Section 3.6(i) and (ii) of the ICANN Bylaws, the final PDP recommendations have been posted for public comment (see <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/red-cross-names-consensus-policy-2018-11-21-en>). The Board will proceed to consider the PDP recommendations after the public comment period ends. In the event that the GAC believes that there are public policy issues raised by these recommendations and wishes to provide timely advice accordingly, the ICANN Board will take the GAC’s advice into account as set forth in the Bylaws.

Sincerely,



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Chair, ICANN Board of Directors