

To,

Mr. Fadi Chehade, CEO and President

Sub: Contracts appointing the contractual auditors

In furtherance of ICANN's DIDP process, we would like to request information on the appointment of ICANN's auditors.

At the discussion on Internet Governance and Progress, there was a lot of concern raised about the contractual compliance by the US Congressional Committee.⁶ Mr. Chehadi states with assertion that the number of people working on compliance audits has gone from '6 people to 25 people'⁷, and he believes that the role of ICANN lies in preventing illegal content on the internet through the mechanism of contractual audits. Given the importance that ICANN places on transparency and accountability, we are certain that you will agree with us that it is an issue of utmost public importance for the process of appointment of the compliance auditors – who play the role of a watchdog over ICANN – to be made public.

In this respect, we would like to request you for a copy of the document that calls for appointments to the post of the contractual compliance auditor. Furthermore, we would also be highly obliged if you could let us have a look at the contracts that appoint said individuals as compliance auditors, as well as the names of the 25 people working on contractual compliance as specified by Mr. Chehadi in the briefing.⁸

We hope that our request will be processed within the stipulated time period of 30 days. Do let us know if you require any clarifications on our queries.

Thank you very much.

Warm regards,

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⁶ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fD_INKXTg2k

⁷ https://youtu.be/fD_INKXTg2k?t=3873

⁸ https://youtu.be/fD_INKXTg2k?t=3871

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