

## The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

Mr. Moustapha Guirassy Minister of Communication Telecommunications and ICT Republic of Senegal 58 Boulevard de la Republique Dakar, Senegal

Dear Minister Guirassy:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding ICANN's 42<sup>nd</sup> Public Meeting to be held in Dakar, 23-28 October 2011.

On behalf of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), I want to thank the Republic of Senegal for its gracious offer to host our conference. We are looking forward to experiencing the professionalism in meeting organization and technical execution for which Senegal is well known.

We are aware of Senegalese citizens' right to peaceful demonstration, and are grateful for your acknowledgement of the need to ensure the safety and security of the ICANN community members, board members and staff who will attend the meeting. Our security staff and advisors are committed to close cooperation with your government to ensure a positive outcome.

The Dakar meeting is certain to be an important conference for our community, and we anticipate that important work will be undertaken there.

I am sure that I speak for the entire ICANN board of directors when I say that we are excited to be able to visit and enjoy your beautiful country later this year.

Warmest regards,

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