

20 February 2020

Mr. Keith Drazek Chair, Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council

RE: ICANN Policy on Transfer of Registrations between Registrars - Gaining Registrar Form of Authorization

Dear Keith,

Thank you for your <u>31 October 2019 letter</u> requesting to defer compliance enforcement of the Transfer Policy's Gaining Registrar Form of Authorization (FOA) requirement until the matter is settled in the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council's planned Transfer Policy review.

The ICANN Board reviewed this matter on 26 January 2020 and passed a resolution to defer ICANN's Contractual Compliance enforcement with the goal of allowing the ICANN community time to consider the Gaining Registrar FOA requirement through the Transfer Policy review. Furthermore, the additional time will allow the affected contracted parties to assess any potential impact on the Transfer Policy and allow ICANN's Contractual Compliance function to focus its resources on requests with greater urgency or impact.

The ICANN Board respectfully requests an update from the GNSO Council regarding the impacts to this portion of the Transfer Policy following the completion of the Transfer Policy review.

Sincerely,

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Chair, ICANN Board of Directors