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To: Doug Brent
Cc: ICANN At-Large Staff, alac-excom
Subject: Re: ALAC's affirmation of support for ICANN Meeting #37 to be held in Nairobi March 7-12 2010

Doug (and other AC-SO Leadership)... Just a short note to firstly thank you for ensuring that the conference attending community within ICANN has remained fully aware of updates you have received with the recent posting to the conference website; and of the plans for deliberations and decisions to be made as a consequence of full and detailed professional information and analysis being undertaken at the moment to also be reported to the community in such an open and transparent way.

Certainly we believe this information and your intention to keep us informed, allows for individuals and companies who plan to attend this meeting to make their choices of attending (or not) based on as much relevant information as possible.

In writing this to you today I am however formally, letting you and through you and Vanda the ICANN Board know that at our ALAC ExCom Meeting held earlier today, we reviewed all list traffic and opinion we have been made aware of from all parts of our Community but specifically from our Regional Leadership and the ALAC who are ICANN sponsored travelers planning to attend this meeting, and discussed our reactions and responses to these recent updates.

As a result of this it is my role to inform you that we (the ALAC and Regional Leadership) *remain in full support* of the meeting continuing to be held in Nairobi (with all due care and responsibility being taken as has been discussed in many fora (including the recent community briefing calls)).

Specifically at today's meeting where each of the five geographic regions were represented, we were unaware of any sponsored traveler on our list who is since the recent reports indicating any willingness to change their plans to attend and unanimous in our intention to attend the meeting and to encourage ICANN to make all possible efforts to ensure this meeting runs as planned. Additionally our staff who are budgeted for and planning to attend confirmed their intention to attend, and with all the ALAC Regional reps to the ExCom present on the call we agreed unanimously that I should write to you to affirm that based on our review of community opinion, our intention is to attend a meeting held in Nairobi, Kenya.

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