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Attention: New gTLD Evaluation Process

Subject: Letter for support for DotAfrica

Having been a strategic board advisory member at DotconnectAfrica, for past 2 years, I have had the opportunity to contribute and watch DCA grow from a young champion of a .africa domain name space throughout Africa to a mature organization that is in tune with internet governance issues. This I am proud of my associations.

The current ICANN gTLD application round is ably informed from the adverse and extensive research and understanding of the namespace vacuum for a commercial and brand identity on the internet and a continental domain for Africa, as championed by DCA have been at the forefront in educating and calling on the continent to capture the rare opportunity. The rapidly growing African internet community is enough proof that a domain is long overdue.

I hereby declare my support to DotConnectAfrica's initiative.

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