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Attention: New gTLD Evaluation Process

Dear Ms Sophia Bekele,

Subject: Letter for support for DotAfrica

I am writing to you in support of your organization DotConnectAfrica in its bid to develop the proposed .africa Top Level Domain (TLD). I have been a close follower and supporter to DotConnectAfrica "DCA" and provided advisory whenever required for over four years now.

ICT is among the most respected avenues which nations and continents are able to develop and industrialize. This millennium offers the best opportunities and technologies that no single nation or people should be denied, having worked in one of the most developed nations, I see the need to have a registry in Africa as one of the key focal points that will put Africa at par, and Africa has demonstrated this though broadening its bandwidth and adopting new internet technologies.

These efforts have provided a conducive environment through which the DotAfrica registry will thrive. I agree that the best business and infrastructural model that has been developed by DotConnectAfrica under the leadership of the able Sophia Bekele who has garnered a wealthy experience in working in the ICANN environment and building various technology startups from USA to Africa which I was very much part of. I trust that given this chance Africa has the best organization to run the registry.

A local registry will plough back profits to pull up the quality of domain services as well as bring competition that will spur an unprecedented internet development in the most developing continent Africa.

I therefore support DotConnectAfrica in this time of applying for DotAfrica.

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