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Attention: New gTLD Evaluation Process

Subject: Letter for support for DotAfrica

It's a great honor to be part of DotConnectAfrica, the organization that has its roots in uplifting Africa from a serious deficiency as it applies to managing and running its own top level domain.

As you know I am a member of the Liberian First Family and currently reside in Liberia where I have worked many years as a banker. Prior to this I worked in several African countries as well as London for Citibank where I had a variety of roles in ICT and operations. I understand the .africa domain is crucial for the African continent at this age and era when everything from business, education, health, and governance has become highly dependent on the internet to operate.

ICT is no longer a requirement but an important facet and ingredient to the running of any upward rising institution. Having been in the leadership positions I have been hugely involved in making critical decisions regarding business operations with major budgets going to making ICT and internet technology an integral platform in running the Banking and Business sector where I have carved a professional niche.

DotConnectAfrica indeed represents a perception of liberty, coming from Liberia, which is a country that has recently been salvaged from the pangs of tyranny and ravaged by war and poverty. It is indeed comforting to see that Africa is finally embracing a project that is set to enable Africa manage its own domain and resources.

I have known Ms. Bekele who has an incredible history in the ICT and business and has been involved in technology transfer from the technology rich California USA to Africa, am also aware that huge strides and efforts 'everything is falling into place.'

I duly offer my support to DotConnectAfrica in strong conviction that it will deliver its promises; they have put forward the best business models that will indeed run the registry as well as benefit African Society.



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