Comments on ATRT2 Questionnaire by Internet Society of China

Internet Society of China (ISC) is pleased to see the set up of ATRT2 and its review efforts on ICANN's accountability and transparency. The successive mechanism of ATRT will urge ICANN to be more accountable and transparent, which will promote a safer, stable and unified global Internet, and better protect the interests of multi-stakeholders in the Internet communities.

As Internet has played an increasing important role in nowadays global social economy, to ensure a safer, stable and unified global Internet becomes basic needs for the Internet communities. It is noticed that ICANN had been conducting ATRT2 survey and collecting input from communities. We propose that the following cases could be studied to enhance the accountability and transparency, and to promote the voluntary and boarder participation in ICANN-related activities from the communities.

1.The implementation of suggestion to ATRT1

Since the ATRT1 had provided a series of suggestion and approaches to improve the accountability and transparency for

the last 3 years, relevant work regarding the improvement should firstly be implemented and given high priority. We did notice ICANN was trying its best during the ongoing process, taking simultaneous language service for example, the 46 ICANN meeting provided multi-language simultaneous translation service including Chinese. We hope it will keep on. At the same time, however, some parts of suggestion did not get sufficient implementation, especially on GAC improvement efforts. To fully play the governmental advisory role in ICANN, we suggest a further smooth channel be provided for GAC to engage into the ICANN's policy-making procedure.

2. Internet resource management

Internet is a global infrastructure. And ICANN is responsible for the management of Internet resources, such as IP addresses, domain name and protocol parameters. ISC shows a great concern about ICANN's role in this area.

The root server is one of the most important infrastructures of Internet. The root server system is comprised of 13 servers, 10 of which located in U.S, and the left 3 located in Sweden, UK and Japan separately. China has the largest population of Internet user in the world, however, so far without any root server being deployed. It will be coming to be a great challenge

and threat for the 500 million Chinese netizen in cyberspace. For the following distribution of IPv6 root server, we hope ICANN could pay more attention and attach consideration about the user and geographical factors, and map out a plan to deploy relevant root server in China. We propose ATRT2 to take ICANN's root server related issues as the key point of this review, and to raise improvements and suggestions.

3. Developing countries' engagement in ICANN

Compared with developed countries, at present, the development stage of Internet is still in infancy for most developing and underdeveloped countries. It is suggested ICANN take this imbalance situation into consideration when making policies, proposed to take effective approaches to improve the active engagement from developing and underdeveloped counties, and to promote the regional harmonious development of Internet. For example, it is encouraged to set up subsidized mechanism to support developing and underdeveloped countries' attending ICANN Meetings.