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Subject: Request for Clarification Regarding Reported April 2025 Smart Africa Meeting

Dear Michael,

Dear Kurtis,

Thank you for the response. I note ICANN's clarification that it was invited to observe the April 2025 Smart Africa meeting but declined to participate on neutrality grounds, and that ICANN states it did not coordinate with Smart Africa or other external bodies on AFRINIC election design or processes.

This clarification is important. It confirms the position I had consistently taken: that ICANN, as steward of the global unique identifiers system and guardian of ICP-2 principles, would not properly take part in an external process involving candidate endorsement, election design, or political shaping of AFRINIC's governance.

I appreciate the clarification and will treat this response as part of the public record.

Amin Dayekh

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