The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) has issued advice to the ICANN Board of Directors regarding New gTLD applications. Please see Section IV, Annex I, and Annex II of the GAC Beijing Communiqué for the full list of advice on individual strings, categories of strings, and strings that may warrant further GAC consideration.

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Response:

A) Introduction

Even though c a i t TLD application is not directly mentioned in the GAC Advice, CORE agrees with the GAC on the need to safeguard consumers, and their trust in the Domain-Name System, and hence wants to make the following statements with regard to the c a i t application.

B) Safeguards for the c a i t TLD

CORE concurs with the GAC when it states that TLDs specially relevant to the protection of consumers’ trust must be operated in full conformity with applicable laws, and apply relevant policies in an open and non-discriminatory manner. This is precisely why our application contains all the necessary safeguards to guarantee that registrants in the c a i t TLD not only comply with applicable laws, but that the namespace enables the highest level of consumer trust. These concerns, and these safeguards will be carried to c a i t TLD Policies, Agreements and Dispute Resolution Procedures.

B.1 Registration policies. Registration in c a i t TLD is not restricted to any particular type of activity, but it is limited by the conditions that the domain name, and its use (including content) are: - generally accepted as legitimate; and, - commensurate with the role and importance of the registered domain name. Please check our response to Q18 (b)(iv) for a more detailed description of the policy.
B.2 Enforcement Mechanisms. We would like to raise the attention more specifically to the enforcement mechanisms devised by CORE to maintain the quality of the .c.a.y.t TLD namespace and its compliance with the rules, and mitigate possible abuses. In this regard, we should list (please see detailed explanation in our responses to the Questions noted in each case in the .c.a.y.t TLD application):

1. Rapid Takedown Policy for cases of general malicious conduct (Q28.1)
2. Single Point of Contact for Abusive behavior on the Registry's side (Q28.3)
3. Ex-Officio Random Checks of the usage of registered Domain Names (Q18 (b)(iv))

We firmly believe that in conjunction with our registration policies and ICANN-mandated policies and Dispute Resolution Procedures, CORE adequately addresses all the safeguards outlined by GAC both for those applicable to all new gTLDs as well as the additional safeguards advised for certain categories of new gTLDs.

C) Conclusion

With regard to the more operational and policy specific points contained in the GAC advice, CORE looks forward to the output of ICANN’s current public forum in connection with the GAC’s most recent advice. We should also note concern regarding some content-related provisions that could lead to impractical, inefficient and unenforceable content-general monitoring obligations, which are also not compatible with many legal orders.