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Paul Wilson
All other members of staff involved in accounting and financial tasks

Sub: Request for information relating to payments made by APNIC to ICANN

For the purpose of the Centre for Internet and Society's research into the relationship of RIRs vis-à-vis ICANN and accountability of different bodies in Internet governance, we request information regarding the process through which the contract fee is calculated each year. Is this contribution voluntary or is there a contractual basis to this payment? We would also like current and historical data regarding details of contract fees paid by APNIC to ICANN along with details indicating why such a payment is made.

As of now, this data is partially available through the independently audited financial reports provided on ICANN's website which lists it as a lump sum amount collected from all the RIRs jointly and through APNIC's audit reports that list the amount in AUD. We would like more information on why this payment is made to ICANN since no data could be found indicating the same. We believe that this information is crucial to understanding the financials of Internet governance and is also relevant to the IANA Stewardship transitions.

We await your favourable response and the requested information. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any clarifications.

Thank you

Regards,

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