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Dear Mr Mak

Public Consultation on the Review on Administration of Internet Domain Names in Hong Kong

Thank you very much for your invitation to the Joint Universities Computer Centre (JUCC) to submit our views and comments on the recommended changes of the consultants on the changes and arrangements for the administration of .hk Internet domain names.

The JUCC Steering Committee has had studied the recommendations in the consultation paper and reckons that the consultation paper has recommended a substantial change in the governance mechanism that is quite different from the current management and organization structure. The recommended change will place a lot of the management control and strategic development role in the hands of the HKSAR government, which deviates dramatically from the set up that was recommended at the time of the handing over of the management of the domain names from the JUCC. We are concerned whether this would be the most effective management mechanism for the management of domain names as we feel that the administration of the .hk domain name should have wider input from the stake holders who have interest in the use and future development of the .hk domain name, which should include the bigger Hong Kong user community, and in particular relevant to the academia community including the JUCC, rather than few number of persons appointed by the HKSAR Government.

While having expressed our concern in the new management structure that has been recommended, the JUCC Steering Committee has had examined the new administration structure and, if the recommend changes would be implemented irrespective of our concerns expressed, would still like to express our interest in the future participation in the new management structure at the Consultative and Advisory Panel level as well as the Management Board level. The JUCC is prepared to offer the expertise of our members who have a long history and experience in the management of .hk Internet domain names and would be happy to serve at both the consultative and Advisory Panel and Management Board levels if called upon to do so by the HKSAR Government.

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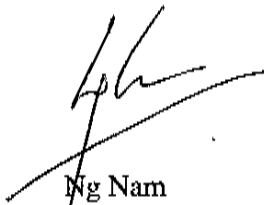
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The JUCC has also observed that the paper has not mentioned about any change in the management of the .edu.hk second level domain (or the .gov.hk second level domain), which we presume would remain as the status quo arrangement i.e. that it will continue to be managed by the JUCC. We believe this is the most effective arrangement to ensure that the registration of .edu.hk domain names would result in a clear and accountable representation of the education sector in Hong Kong in the use of the .edu.hk domain names.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely



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