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Dear Dr. Crocker,

the Senate of the City and State of Berlin supports the application for .berlin filed by dotBERLIN GmbH & Co. KG. dotBERLIN has informed us that it has submitted a registration program pursuant to Section 4.5.3 of the Trademark Clearinghouse Rights Protection Mechanism Requirements (the “TMCH Requirements”) for approval.

We would like to take this opportunity to emphasize that according to the contract between the City and State of Berlin and dotBERLIN – which was attached to the gTLD application – dotBERLIN is obliged to reserve or register a defined list of labels and categories to the City and State of Berlin and that it may allocate or register them prior, during or after the TMCH Sunrise Period to the City and State of Berlin for its own purposes or be transferred or allocated at any time to any third party. This is an essential condition which was put in place to protect the public interest.

We ask you to ensure that dotBERLIN can meet the obligations tied to the letter of support that the City and State of Berlin issued for its application for .berlin.

Sincerely,

Ralf Ganser