JULIE HAMMER : EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO SERVE AS ALAC LIAISON TO THE SSAC

I wish to advise my willingness to continue serving as the ALAC Liaison to the SSAC for 2016-2017.

BACKGROUND

My career background is as an electronics engineer in the Royal Australian Air Force, where I served for 28 years in the fields of aircraft maintenance, technical intelligence, electronic warfare, and information and communications technology. In the latter stages of my career, I led the organization which provided day-to-day operational support of the Defence Department's communications, computers, and command and control systems. My final position was as the acting Chief Information Officer for Defence. I retired from the Air Force in 2005 at the rank of Air Vice-Marshal, being the first serving woman in the Australian Defence Force to achieve One Star rank in 1999 and Two Star rank in 2003.

Outside the Air Force, I was deeply involved in my professional association, Engineers Australia, and was National President throughout 2008, the first woman in its 92 year history to be so elected. I served as an Independent Director of the .au Domain Administration Ltd from 2007 to 2016, and in that capacity, began attending occasional ICANN Meetings.

SSAC LIAISON ROLE

The SSAC does not in general accept inward Liaisons, and so when I was initially appointed in 2012, I underwent the normal interview process to be accepted as a full Member of the SSAC. My initial appointment to the SSAC was for a 3 year term, and I was subsequently reappointed for a further 3 years in 2015. I am half way through that second term. Since that time, my performance has been annually assessed in accordance with standard SSAC practice, and a more fulsome review was conducted by the Membership Committee prior to my reappointment in 2015.

During my time as SSAC Liaison, I have attended the majority of ALAC and ALAC Leadership Team Meetings each month, as well as submitting monthly written reports on my SSAC Liaison page on the ALAC wiki. I also attend Monthly SSAC Meetings and SSAC Work Party Meetings for those Work Parties in which I have participated. I have attended 13 of the 15 ICANN Meetings during my term and 2 of the 4 Annual SSAC Workshops. My attendance at ICANN Meetings is funded by the SSAC. I have also been one of the two SSAC Members on the CCWG-Accountability and have provided feedback to the SSAC as well as input to the CCWG in that role.

My status as a Member of the SSAC is not contingent on being appointed as ALAC Liaison. However, I do value and very much enjoy my participation in both communities, and would be happy to be reappointed to this role.