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Sae Park, Acting CFO Internet Society Reston, VA

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## **Report on IETF Administration LLC Compliance Program**

Dear Sae

Section 11.viii of the Limited Liability Agreement of IETF Administration LLC sets out the following obligation on the company:

"Develop a compliance program, reasonably acceptable to Member's CFO or the CFO's delegate, with a goal of ensuring compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations (including without limitation laws governing bribery, anti-terrorism sanctions, export controls, and data protection/privacy and other legal regimes applicable to United States entities with global operations) and report to Member annually on such program."

Our annual report for 2021 is as follows:

1. We have consulted on and published a set of policies addressing the areas listed above.

https://ietf.org/about/administration/policies-procedures/

2. We have a process in place to request, assess and publish COI disclosures from key personnel and contractors.

https://ietf.org/about/administration/policies-procedures/conflict-interest/coi-disclosures/https://ietf.org/about/administration/rfps/

3. We have a whistleblower hotline and online reporting system, through which anyone can report a concern.



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https://ietf.ethicspoint.com

4. We have an OFAC Compliance policy in place, which was actively invoked in 2021, and counsel maintain a close watch on ongoing developments.

https://www.ietf.org/media/documents/IETF\_LLC\_OFAC\_Compliance\_Policy\_2020-10-06.pdf

5. We have a Privacy Statement for the IETF/IRTF/IAB, introduced following community consultation, and signed off by independent privacy counsel.

https://ietf.org/privacy-statement/

- 6. Our counsel have developed a formal employment checklist and all items on that checklist have been met for all employees to ensure that we are fully compliant with employment laws.
- 7. Our counsel have prepared a compliance training video to assist with the reading of our policies.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=scL7oqpHfD4

- 8. Concerns have been raised about our antitrust exposure by both a counsel representing one of our participants and ISOC. While the current antitrust position of the IETF is long-standing and well supported within the community, we have started to engage the IETF community on possible policy options, and have commissioned a review of our current position and possible options from specialist antitrust litigation counsel.
- 9. No compliance issues have been raised with the LLC Board or Management.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,



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Jay Daley, IETF Executive Director

cc: IETF LLC Board, Brad Biddle, Ilona Levine