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VANUATU COUNTRY CODE TOP LEVEL DOMAIN .VU

The Telecommunications and Radiocommunications Regulator (TRR) has the authority to investigate and make arrangements for the proper and appropriate management and administration of the country code Top Level Domain (ccTLD) name for Vanuatu. A country code top-level domain (ccTLD) is an Internet top-level domain generally used or reserved for a country, a sovereign state, or a dependent territory like .au for Australia, .nz for New Zealand and .vu for Vanuatu. The TRR Act of 2009 section 7(4) states that TRR may make regulations for the management and administration of the Vanuatu country code top level domain for Vanuatu.

The .vu ccTLD is a vital component of internet communications in and out of Vanuatu as it provides a country destination address, much like a telephone country code and it provides for enterprises in Vanuatu to stake a presence in the internet space. Current management and allocation of the ccTLD is provided by Telecom Vanuatu Limited (TVL) as infrastructure manager, registry of domain names and registrar of domain names.

Under the guidelines developed by ICANN, a country's ccTLD and its Internet domain names are treated as public resources which must be managed to best serve the internet community. TRR acknowledges the work that TVL has done as manager of this resource, but in a liberalized and competitive market it is now time for the management function to be fully undertaken by the independent stakeholder.

TRR has therefore developed a comprehensive draft regulation setting out the roles and responsibilities of the various participants in the domain management process in the future, and of the rules that shall generally apply. The final consultation paper and the regulation documents can be downloaded on the TRR website www.trr.vu under Internet Governance and hard copies are available at the TRR office on request. Comments on these documents can be provided to TRR via the following means:

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The deadline for public Comments is 4pm, Friday 29th January 2016. For any phone enquiries regarding this Consultation document, please call the following numbers: (678) 27621 or (678) 27440