

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

between

1)

**AfriNIC**

represented by

Adiel Akplogan,

and

2)

**the Number Resource Organisation (NRO)**

represented by its chairman,

Paul Wilson,

about

### **Start-Up Financing of the Emerging AfriNIC during the year 2004**

Whereas AfriNIC is preparing to take over the stewardship of Internet Numbering Resources for the African continent; and

whereas the existing Regional Internet Registries, APNIC, ARIN, LACNIC and the RIPE NCC have fully supported the effort and are continuing to do so; and

whereas the NRO is making available startup funding of US\$ 100.000, to help AfriNIC to cover the initial cost of setting up AfriNIC administratively and operationally;

the parties agree on the following:

#### **1. Schedule of payments to AfriNIC by the NRO**

- Payment 1 of US\$ 20.000 will be made upon signing of this MoU.
- Payment 2 of US\$ 20.000 will be made upon publication on the AfriNIC website, of supporting material, four weeks before the AfriNIC I meeting. This material will consist of but not be limited to:
  - o Articles of Association / Bylaws of AfriNIC
  - o Membership and / or Service Contract
  - o Terms and Conditions
  - o Draft Membership and Service Fees
  - o Draft policies for the allocation / assignment of Internet Number Resources
  - o Draft AfriNIC database policies
  - o Procedure supporting documents, request forms, etc
  - o Draft Operational Budget for the years 2004-2005

- Payment 3 of US\$ 20.000 will be made upon adoption of AfriNIC corporate operational and policy documents, and following publication of a comprehensive AfriNIC I meeting report.
- Payment 4 of US\$ 20.000 will be made upon delivery to ICANN of a full account of AfriNIC activities do date, together with a support note by the CEOs of the existing RIRs, in July 2004.
- Payment 5 of US\$ 20.000 will be made upon delivery to ICANN of the application for recognition of AfriNIC, in October 2004.

## 2. Use of Funds

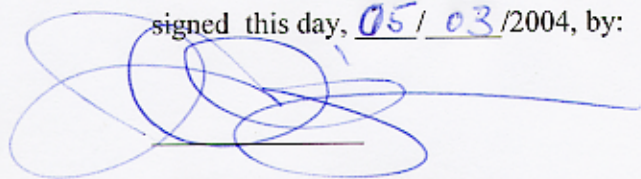
Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, funds provided under this agreement should be used exclusively for:

- operational expenses directly related to the establishment or operation of AfriNIC, including office expenses, rental, general overheads;
- capital purchases by AfriNIC, where assets are owned and used exclusively by AfriNIC staff members for AfriNIC purposes;
- staff and contractor expenses including salaries, administrative overheads, and travel related directly and exclusively to AfriNIC activities;

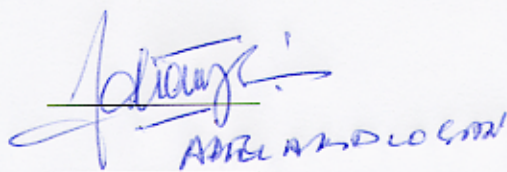
## 3. Financial Reporting

In addition to the conditions of above schedule, payments 2 to 5 will be made after receipt of comprehensive financial reports detailing spending of the previous payment.

signed this day, 05 / 03 /2004, by:



PAUL WILSON  
for the NRO



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for AfriNIC