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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CENTRAL DISTRICT**

DOTCONNECTAFRICA TRUST,

Plaintiff,

v.

INTERNET CORPORATION FOR
ASSIGNED NAMES AND NUMBERS, *et*
al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. BC607494

Assigned to Hon. Howard L. Halm

**ICANN'S EVIDENTIARY
OBJECTIONS TO DECLARATION
OF SOPHIA BEKELE ESHETE
FILED IN SUPPORT OF DCA'S
OPPOSITION TO ICANN'S MOTION
FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

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Defendant the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers ("ICANN") hereby submits the following evidentiary objections to the Declaration of Sophia Bekele Eshete ("Bekele Declaration"), filed in support of plaintiff's Opposition to ICANN's Motion for Summary Judgment.

OBJECTED-TO PORTION OF BEKELE DECLARATION	GROUND'S FOR OBJECTION	COURT'S RULING
¶ 14: "DCA would not have applied for the .Africa gTLD, paid the non-refundable fee, and would not have spent years campaigning for the endorsements and preparing an application, if it had known that ICANN would favor ZACR throughout the process."	1. Lacks Foundation (Evid. Code § 403). 2. Lacks Personal Knowledge (Evid. Code § 702). 3. Improper Opinion Testimony (Evid. Code §§ 800-803). Ms. Bekele fails to lay a foundation as to the source of her knowledge, or demonstrate personal knowledge, of the statement that ICANN would favor ZACR throughout the application process. Further, because it is not rationally based on her perception, this statement amounts to inadmissible opinion testimony. It also amounts to speculation inasmuch as Ms. Bekele does not provide any other information to support her statement.	<input type="checkbox"/> Sustained <input type="checkbox"/> Overruled

Dated: August 4, 2017

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