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Dear Bob

Thank you for your letter of 16 April 2009 enclosing a copy of Professor Bob Garratt's Governance Review of Nominet.

First of all, let me say how pleased we are that the Nominet Board acted so quickly to set up the independent governance review following my letter to you of 15 October 2008.

We have studied the proposed recommendations as set out in Bob Garratt's report. If Nominet's members implement in full the changes proposed in the report, we are confident that Nominet will remain a beacon of industry self-regulation, protecting the wider public interest, without the need for intervention by the Government. Obviously if Nominet's members do not wish to proceed as the report recommends, then we will need to consider what steps we have to recommend to our Ministers to protect that public interest. I do hope though that this won't prove to be necessary.

*Yours sincerely
David*

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