

NCSG Statement on Motion to adopt the Final Report on the Protections for Certain Red Cross Names in All gTLDs Policy Amendment Process

Read by Tatiana Tropina, NCSG councilor, GNSO Council meeting 27 September 2018.

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“NCSG applauds the dedication of the working group to clarify its recommendation about reserving Red Cross names in domain name space. The working group has responded to our concerns. The process that the working group went through was solid and fulfills the formal requirements of the PDP.”

“We would like to make it clear that while we appreciate the effort and voted affirmative for the approval of the recommendation, we record our grave concern regarding the move towards reserving names and their alteration by broad interpretation of national laws and conventions in domain name space. While the freedom of expression concerns in this context might be minimal for some, the practice itself is unacceptable for us and for the broader community. We hope that the recommendations of this group will be interpreted narrowly without taking an unintended precedent in the future. Thank you very much once again. Non Commercial Stakeholder Group.”