

SCI Prague Report

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Agenda items

- Deferral of motions
- Proxy Voting Procedure
- Consent agenda
- Update of GNSO Council Voting Results Table
- Voting Thresholds for Delaying a PDP
- WG survey

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Deferral of motions

- Unwritten rule: deferral once on request of any SG/Constituency
- Issue: Is a formal rule needed describing the conditions of a deferral?
- 22 deferrals in 2 ys 7 mths / 4 deferrals 2x, 1 deferral 3x
- Important: socializing of motions
- (voting) NCAs should be able to defer motions
- No decision yet on formal or informal process
if formal then recommendation to be worked out
- SCI poll possible on the basis of clear questions

Proxy Voting Procedure

- Proxy notification in question: Proxy Giver – Proxy Giver's appointing organisation – Secretariat – Council before the relevant council meeting
- Issue: No vote should be lost due to not fulfilling the notification requirements
- No SCI consensus to allow proxy notification during a council meeting
- Suggestion (to be agreed): staff to rework the procedure to allow for the email notification to go both to the secretariat and to the council list

Consent Agenda

SCI consensus on the following:

- council Chair + VCs determine the items
- Non eligible: - items being not subject to a simple majority vote
 - items subject to absentee voting
- In case of any council member request to remove any item it must be removed
- Add it to the meeting agenda
- Vote on the remaining Consent Agenda

Amendment to the GNSO Operating Procedures



Voting Results Table

- Need for updating after the implementation of the New PDP
- Made consistent with the Bylaws, the Rules of Procedures and the PDP

Appendix 1 of GNSO Operating Procedures to be replaced

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Voting Results for Delaying a PDP

The current thresholds for terminating and initiating a PDP are as follows:

- Terminate a PDP: the GNSO Council may terminate a PDP only for significant cause, upon a motion that passes with a GNSO Supermajority Vote in favor of termination.
- Initiate a Policy Development Process requires an affirmative vote of more than one-third ($1/3$) of each House or more than two-thirds ($2/3$) of one House
- Staff recommendation has been made but has not yet gained consensus in the group.



Further Steps

- How to deal with the consensus items?
 - Back to council?
 - Council post it for Public Comment?
- How to deal with items raised by individuals?

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Thank You



Questions

