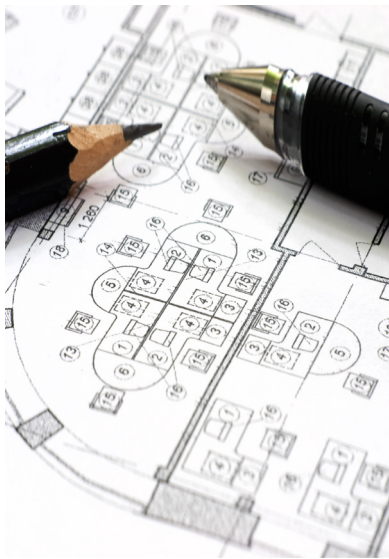


Uniformity of Contracts to Address Registration Abuse

- Final Issue Report -



Why is it important?



- “Registration” and “Use” Abuse Exists (at least 11 different forms of use and registration abuse)
- Registration abuse impacts the security and stability of the Internet
- Some individual anti-abuse efforts have been successful
- Study is needed to see if there are consistent and uniform ways to battle abuse
- GNSO Council agreed with Working Group recommendation to consider “minimum baseline” for addressing registration abuse

Expert Findings - RAPWG (2010)

- Developed a definition of abuse generally
- Identified and defined 11 types of specific abuses
- Made 14 specific recommendations for action (e.g., WHOis access issues, fake renewal notices, UDRP review, etc.)
- Key recommendation for this topic:

”Evaluate whether a minimum baseline of registration abuse provisions should be created for all in-scope ICANN agreements

And if created;

Evaluate how such language should be structured to address the most common forms of registration abuse”



What the Final Issue Report Says

- Describes recent history of inquiries on abuse
- Reviews Existing Forms of Industry Agreements
- Analyzes specific agreements
- Abuse is “within scope” of GNSO policy work



What the Issue Report Recommends

There may be benefits to a consistent framework of abuse preventions, thus:

- Initiate a formal PDP and
- Form WG to (1) study specific registration abuses, (2) identify specific anti abuse practices and (3) determine if uniform provisions would work. If so, set benchmarks and define reporting requirements.
- Consider asking staff to do some initial research (internal or vendor)
- **OR**, instead of PDP, ask staff to draft potential uniform provisions for direct community review and comment

