**Motion to request a Preliminary Issue Report on New gTLDs Subsequent Rounds**

Whereas,

1. In 2005, this Council of the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) began a policy development process to consider the introduction of new gTLDs, which resulted in the creation of certain policy recommendations for the launch of a new gTLD application process; and,
2. In September 2007, this Council [adopted](http://gnso.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#200709) the policy recommendations from the GNSO policy development process and forwarded them to the ICANN Board of Directors; and,
3. The [Final Report](http://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/new-gtlds/pdp-dec05-fr-parta-08aug07.htm#_Toc43798015) stated that “ This policy development process has been designed to produce a systemised and ongoing mechanism for applicants to propose new top-level domains.”
4. In June 2008, the ICANN Board [adopted](https://features.icann.org/2008-06-26-gnso-recommendations-new-gtlds) the GNSO's policy recommendations for the introduction of new gTLDs and directed staff to develop an implementation plan for a new gTLD introduction process; and
5. In June 2011, the ICANN Board [approved](https://features.icann.org/2011-06-20-approval-new-gtld-program) an Application Guidebook ("AGB") for new gTLDs and authorized the launch of the New gTLD Program; and,
6. In June 2012, the first round application submission period closed; and,
7. In June 2014, this Council [created](http://gnso.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#201406) the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Discussion Group (DG) to discuss experiences gained and lessons learned from the 2012 New gTLD round and identify subjects for future issue reports, that may lead to changes or adjustments for subsequent procedures; and,
8. In August 2014, the DG began deliberations, focusing primarily on the identification of issues that members experienced in the 2012 New gTLD round; and,
9. In November 2014, the ICANN Board provided initial input on areas for possible policy work in [Annex A](https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-annex-a-17nov14-en.pdf) related to a [resolution](https://features.icann.org/planning-future-gtld-application-rounds) on Planning for Future gTLD Application Rounds.
10. The DG developed a matrix which attempts to associate identified issues with a corresponding principle, policy recommendation or implementation guidance from the 2007 Final Report on New Generic Top-Level Domains, or to note that the issue may warrant new policy work. Furthermore, the DG developed a draft PDP WG charter that identifies subjects, divided into provisional groupings, for further analysis in a potential Issue Report and potential PDP; and,
11. The DG recommends that its set of deliverables serve as the basis for analysis in a single Issue Report.

**Now therefore, it is resolved:**

1. The GNSO Council requests a single Issue Report that will analyze subjects that may lead to changes or adjustments for subsequent New gTLD Procedures. The Preliminary Issue Report should at a minimum consider:
* The subjects that the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Discussion Group identified in its deliverables (i.e., issues matrix and draft charter);
* Global Domains Division Staff input to the deliberations of the DG, and;
* The ICANN Board Resolution Annex A regarding Initial Input on Areas for Possible Policy Work
1. In addition to covering the required elements of an Issue Report, ICANN Staff is also requested to provide options on how the subjects may be organized and worked through in a potential future PDP.