



# Update to GNSO Council Amendments to the RAA

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# Developments in Dakar- Board Resolution

- References the work done through the discussions with the law enforcement representatives and the RAA-DT
- Continuing to evolve the RAA is important to protect registrants and safeguard the stability of a single interoperable Internet
- Negotiations goal - meaningful amendments “in the global public interest with the twin goals of registrant protection and stability in mind”

# Dakar Board Resolution (continued)

- **Directs negotiations to commence immediately,** resulting in proposed amendments for consideration at Costa Rica
- Negotiations to address:
  - LE RAA recommendations
  - RAA DT recommendations from the Final Report
  - Other topics advancing the twin goals of registrant protection and DNS stability
- Issue Report Request for to address remaining items suited for a PDP **ASAP**

# Dakar Board Resolution Rationale

- ***Conveyed sense of urgency***
- On LE and RAA-DT recommendations to provide greater protections for registrants and reduce abuses....”  
***“Yet no action has been taken on these recommendations. The Board requires action. Direct negotiations between the contracted parties is seen as a way to rapidly develop a set of amendments for consideration.”***
- Issues Report to explore the policy alternatives for developing and making binding changes to the RAA
- Accepts the GAC Communiqué statement that Board take necessary steps to ensure that multi-stakeholder process effectively addresses these GAC-endorsed proposals as a **matter of extreme urgency**

# Two Projects- Parallel Tracks

## Bilateral Negotiations

## Issue Report Request

- **Commencing Immediately**
  - Working on timeline to meet Costa Rica deadline
  - Several face to face meetings expected
  - Communications plan being developed to keep the community informed and enhance transparency
  - Idea to include a process that would notify of topics referred to policy processes
- **To be published shortly - following the New PDP:**
  - Preliminary Issue Report (Nov/Dec 2011)
  - Public Comment Forum (Dec/Jan 2011)
  - Final Issue Report (Jan 2011)
  - PDP to be Commenced (Jan 2011)

# List of High Priority Amendment Topics to be considered by the GNSO

Item No.	Description
1	Prohibition on registrar cybersquatting
2	Malicious conduct – registrar duty to investigate
3	Designation and publication of a technically competent point of contact on malicious conduct issues (available 24/7 basis)
4	Disclosure of privacy/proxy services made available by registrar; Responsibility of registrar for compliance by such services
5	Obligations of privacy/proxy services made available by registrar re: Data escrow; Relay function; Reveal function
6	Registrar responsibility for cancellation of registrations made by other privacy/proxy services for noncompliance with Relay and Reveal

# List of High Priority Amendment Topics to be considered by the GNSO (continued)

Item No.	Description
7	Define circumstances under which registrar is required to cancel registration for false Whois data and set reasonable time limits for registrar action
8.	Require PCI compliance in registration process
9	Define “reseller” and clarify registrar responsibility for reseller compliance
10	Require greater disclosure of registrar affiliates/multiple accreditations
11	Require greater disclosure of registrar contact information, information on form of business organization, officers, etc.
12	Clarification of registrar responsibilities in connection with UDRP proceedings

# Medium Priority Amendment Topics to be considered by the GNSO

- ❖ Spell out registrar “verification” process after receiving false Whois data report
- ❖ Require links to Whois Data Problem Reporting System on Whois results pages and on registrar home page
- ❖ Service Level Agreement on Whois availability
- ❖ Registrar to disclose resellers and vice versa
- ❖ Expand scope of authority to terminate accreditation
- ❖ Require registrars to report data breaches
- ❖ Streamline arbitration process in cases of dis-accreditation
- ❖ Streamline process of adding new gTLDs to accreditation
- ❖ Registrar responsibilities for acts of affiliates
- ❖ Staff to draft registrar code of conduct if registrars fail to do so by time certain



# GNSO Council Consideration

- Issue Report to also include the GNSO Council Motion on RAA from 6 Oct meeting
- How to conduct a PDP on an expedited basis
- Prioritization of current work, new work
- Overlap of issues with current policy projects
  - WHOIS
  - UDRP
  - Best Practices
  - Uniformity of Contracts

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# Questions



Thank you