Update on New gTLD PDP
Joint GAC WG1 - GNSO meeting

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Agenda

- Activity since publication of GAC Principles
- Current Status
- Relations of GAC Principles to current draft of Final Report (18 June 2007)
- Discussion
- Next Steps
Activity In Lisbon re GAC Principles

• In Lisbon GNSO New gTLD committee met to discuss the GAC principles paper in detail
  – Reviewed each of the principles
  – Looked at each of the proposed New gTLD recommendations in the light of our understanding on the principles
  – developed questions for the GAC on interpretation
Activity since Lisbon

- Held a conference call with several GAC members to discuss the range of understanding of the principles
- Have revised several recommendation based on the principles, discussions and the GNSO's understanding of the balance between the principles and the constituency's priorities
Current Status

• PDP nearing completion
  – Related WG groups completed their work
    • Internationalised Domain Names IDN WG
    • Reserved Names (RN) WG
    • Protecting the Rights of Others (PRO) WG
  – New gTLD committee working to integrate WG recommendations as appropriate

• Holding open forum discussions of draft final report

• Continuing to integrate complex set of conditions
General Discussion

• Response to a GAC principles may be
  – In a GNSO Principle
  – In a GNSO Recommendation
  – In a GNSO Implementation Recommendation
  – In a Staff Implementation
  – In existing consensus policies
GAC Principles <-> New GTLD Draft

- 2.1 -> Recommendations 3, 6
- 2.2 -> Recommendation 5
- 2.3 -> Recommendation 3
- 2.4 -> Recommendation 2
- 2.5 -> Recommendation 1
- 2.6 -> Principle C
- 2.7 -> PRO WG recommendations, Rec 3
GAC Principles <-> New GTLD Draft (II)

• 2.8 -> Recommendation 20
• 2.9 -> PRO WG Recommendations
• 2.10 -> Implementation Discussion Points
• 2.11 -> Implementation Discussion Points
• 2.12 -> Implementation Discussion Points
• 2.13 -> Implementation Discussion Points
• 2.14 -> Implementation Discussion Points
Discussion – GAC Principle 2.1

• RN WG decided not to create a reserved name category for terms that could be objected to based on 'sensitivities regarding terms with national, cultural, geographic or religious significance”

• Recommended that strings not be contrary to “accepted norms relating to morality and public order that are enforceable under generally accepted and internationally recognized principles of international law”

• In process of creating objection mechanism available during application review process
Discussion – GAC Principle 2.2

- Reserved Names has not included “country, territory, or place names and country, territory or regional language or people descriptions” as Reserved Names.
- WG and Committee have interpreted the requirements for “agreement with the relevant governments or public authorities” as being satisfied by a specific TBD dispute processes during the application review process.
Discussion – Disputes and Objections

- Currently the subject of implementation discussion within the staff and discussion between ICANN Staff and GNSO

- Open Issues include:
  - Who has standing in a dispute or objection
  - Can AC or SO be an agent for an objection
  - Fee mechanisms for objections
    - for applicants
    - for objectors
  - Managing complex of multiple disputes or resolutions.
Discussion – GAC Principle 2.3

• Included under Recommendation 3 for Protecting the Rights of Others
• Mechanism for IGO protection subject of a Issues report released by Staff on 15 June
• June 27 2007
  – Issues report to be discussed in GSNO open forum
  – Next steps to be decided in GSNO open meeting
Discussion - IDNs

- Strong community interest in including IDNs in 1st round of New gTLD applications.
- Will this be possible?
Next Steps

• Goal is to finish GNSO process within next 2 months. This includes:
  – Integrate results of open forum discussions and comments as appropriate
  – Continue iteration with staff on implementation issues
  – Complete review and integration of WG results as appropriate
  – Hold council vote on sending report to the Board.
Thank You