

Aspirational Statement

The members of GNSO Council strive to be effective managers of the GNSO Policy Development Process (“PDP”). As managers of the PDP, the GNSO Council charters Working Groups in a way that accounts for both relevant expertise and stakeholder diversity within Working Group membership, then oversees the PDPs’ work throughout the PDP lifecycle. The GNSO Council recognizes that many deliberations occur within the Working Group during a PDP, and these deliberations lead to the consensus required for final policy recommendations. While individual GNSO Councilors and the groups they represent may not fully agree with the final policy recommendation text, GNSO Councilors strive to support recommendations that follow the PDP’s consensus-building processes because doing so supports the broader multistakeholder model. In recognition of the multistakeholder model, when a Working Group delivers a Final Report with consensus recommendations to the GNSO Council, the GNSO Council will always try to vote in favor of the policy recommendations absent truly exceptional circumstances.