

IANA Naming Function Review 2

Summary of Report

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Recommendations

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3. Make the IANA Naming Function Contract, as amended, publicly accessible. If this is not possible, the review team suggests providing a clear mapping of which lines have been amended to sit alongside the original Contract.
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Why?

Future-proofs alignment of the contract with DNSSEC policy as it evolves.

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Ensures visibility of the latest version of the contract.

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Ensures sufficient time between delivering recommendations and commencing the next review.

Incidental Findings

The IFRT2 also identified findings that did not rise to the level of a Recommendation, but which may be useful to the ICANN team. This includes:

1. Drafting improvements to the IANA Naming Function Contract
2. Suggestion to timestamp the Transition Plan upon every review
3. Consider alternative approaches to reporting regular SLA exceptions
4. Consider the role of the Ombuds and complaint routing

The IFRT2 received eight submissions in response to its Draft Report:

- 4 commenters directly supported Recommendations 1-2 with no commenters expressing a lack of support
- 4 commenters directly supported Recommendation 3 with no commenters expressing a lack of support
- 6 commenters directly supported Recommendation 4 with no commenters expressing a lack of support
- Commenters supported the inclusion of Incidental Findings

There was broad support – and no stated disagreement – with all the recommendations in the IFR2 Draft Report.

Public Comment Feedback

Some commenters proposed expanding or adding recommendations.

Requests for New Recommendations:

- HSM security
- IANA IPR agreements

Requests to Expand Existing Findings

- Complaints processes across ICANN
- Timing of IFRs in relation to CSC Reviews

The Review Team consensus was that these additions were beyond the scope of the IFR and should be passed to the appropriate authorities in ICANN

Next Steps

1. GNSO and ccNSO Councils vote to approve IFR2 Recommendations 1 & 2 by a supermajority:
 - *This is required for any recommendations to amend the IANA Naming Function Contract (ICANN Bylaws Section 18.6)*
 - *Anticipated in the GNSO Council and ccNSO Council August Meetings*
2. Upon approval by the GNSO and ccNSO Councils, IFR2 will formally submit its Final Report to the ICANN Board
3. The ICANN Board has 45 days to act on the Recommendations upon receipt of the Final Report from the IFR2 (ICANN Bylaws Section 18.6)