Resolutions on IDN Issues from ccNSO Council Call 2nd October 2007

1. ccNSO Resolutions on ccPDP

Background

At its meeting on 27 June 2007 the ccNSO Council adopted the IDN Issues Paper [insert URL] as a ccNSO Issues Paper, and resolved to submit it to the ICANN Board in close cooperation with the GAC as the joint GAC ccNSO Issues Paper on Selection of IDN ccTLDs associated with the ISO 3166-1 two letter codes.

At its meeting on 29 June 2007 the ICANN Board of Directors requested that the ICANN community including the GNSO, ccNSO, GAC, and ALAC provide the Board with responses to the published list of issues and questions that need to be addressed in order to move forward with IDN ccTLDs associated with the ISO 3166-1 two-letter codes in a manner that ensures the continued security and stability of the Internet. www.icann.org/minutes/resolutions-29jun07.htm#l

At the same meeting the ICANN Board requested that the ICANN community including the GNSO, ccNSO, GAC, and ALAC continue to work collaboratively, taking the technical limitations and requirements into consideration, to explore both an interim and an overall approach to IDN ccTLDs associated with the ISO 3166-1 two-letter codes and recommend a course of action to the Board in a timely manner.

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The ccNSO Council believes that the appropriate mechanism for developing policy for the selection and delegation of IDN ccTLDs is the cc Policy Development Process.

16-01 IT WAS RESOLVED that in accordance with Annex B section 1 of the ICANN Bylaws the ccNSO Council requests an Issue Report be prepared:

- 1. To establish if Article IX of the ICANN by laws applies to IDN ccTLDs associated with the ISO 3166-1 two letter codes, and if it does not then to establish if Article IX should apply.
- 2. To establish whether the ccNSO should launch a PDP to develop the policy for the selection and delegation of IDN ccTLDs associated with the ISO 3166-1 two-letter codes. In preparing the Issue Report the Issue Manager should advise on any other policy matters or by law changes that will need to be considered as a consequence of applying the by laws to IDN ccTLDs and developing the IDN ccTLD policy. In preparing the Issue Report, and, in proposing a time line for conducting each stage of the ccPDP, the Issue Manager should take into consideration the joint ccNSO GAC Issues Paper, the technical limitations and requirements, and any other matters that the Issues Manager considers to be of relevance.

16-02 IT WAS RESOLVED that in accordance with Annex B section 2 of the ICANN Bylaws the ccNSO Council appoints Bart Boswinkel as Issues Manager.

16-03 IT WAS RESOLVED to form a Council sub-committee to act as a steering group for the PDP, and to liaise with and assist the Issue Manager on behalf of the Council. The sub-committee will have 6 members being 1 Councillor from each geographic region and the Chair of the ccNSO Council. The Issue Manager will issue a call for volunteers shortly.

2. Resolutions on an Interim Approach

Background

In parallel to its request for an Issue Report as a first step in launching a ccPDP on the introduction of IDN ccTLDs, the ccNSO Council will also explore the possibility of a short track/interim approach.

16-04 IT WAS RESOLVED that the ccNSO Council endorses the fact finding mission of the Chair of the ccNSO to see whether pressing need for the introduction of a limited number of IDN ccTLD in a short time frame. To this end the Chair will send the annexed letter to ccTLD managers.

16-05 IT WAS RESOLVED that the ccNSO Council requests the preparation of a draft report setting out:

- a) A description of the scope of a fast track/interim approach and how it interfaces with the IDN ccPDP;
- b) A clear description of a suggested process for the development of mechanisms for the introduction of a limited set of IDN ccTLDs. This process should allow for a phased approach, in order to enable full discussion of the issues with the ccNSO membership, other ccTLD managers, the GAC and other relevant stakeholders at face-to face meetings, and, a determining role of the ccNSO membership and theGAC on the outcome of the process.
- c) A time line for the proposed process. The draft report has to be available on 15 October, for discussion by the ccNSO Council on (17 or 18 October) and to be published on 22 October, to allow for full discussion of the short track/interim approach at ccNSO meeting in LA.