

## Resolution of the members of the ccNSO regarding the ICANN – Verisign proposed settlement

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“The ccNSO would like to thank Paul Twomey, Vint Cerf and the other members of the Board who attended the ccNSO session on the ICANN-Verisign settlement proposal.

The ccNSO would further like to thank Paul Twomey for committing to follow a clear and open process from this point on, similar to the one used for the .net, before submitting the ICANN-Verisign settlement proposal, or any amended version, to the Board for approval.

Given it is unclear what formal process ICANN followed in arriving at the settlement proposal, the ccNSO strongly recommends that the ICANN Board establish a formal process for dealing with any similar situations in the future.

The ccNSO notes that Article 1 of the ICANN Bylaws states: "Any ICANN body making a recommendation or decision shall exercise its judgement to determine which core values are most relevant and how they apply to the specific circumstances of the case at hand, and to determine, if necessary, an appropriate and defensible balance among competing values."

The ccNSO requests that ICANN staff provide the community with a formal document which explains how the settlement proposal meets ICANN's Core Values as stated in its Bylaws and benefits internet community in general."