IDN PDP WG 2 Telephone Conference

5 August 2010

Attendees:

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Staff Support:

Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO Secretariat Gabriella Schittek, ccNSO Secretariat

1. Agenda Bashing

No additions to the Agenda were made.

2. Selection of a Chair and Alternate Chair from the Members of the Working Group.

Since a major part of the working group members were not on the call, the appointment of a Working Group Chair was deferred to being conducted on the email list.

Bart Boswinkel acted as interim Chair during the meeting.

Action 01-01: Working Group members to nominate Chair and alternate Chair for the IDN PDP Working Group 2 on the Working Group email list.

3. Working Method and Processes

Some discussions occurred, whether the process, as defined in article 9, annex B needs to be changed.

One suggestion was to leave the article as it is until a final PDP on IDN ccTLDs has been created and only make a new annex to the article, describing how to proceed for the moment.

A different suggestion was that the Working Group moves towards making changes to Article 9 as soon as possible, as the Working Group needs to address both the issue of representation and how to include more members in the ccNSO.

It was agreed that this would be the general expectation of the work of the IDN PDP Working Group 2 and that much effort would need to be put especially into defining how

changes to Article 9 should be made.

It was also asked whether it was up to the Working Group to resolve whether an IDN ccTLD is a ccTLD, as it was felt that it should be resolved formally.

Bart explained that there is already some language in the work of the IDN PDP Working Group 1, saying that they are considering IDN ccTLDs being ccTLDs. Also, considering the ICANN Board resolutions and IANA delegation mechanisms, IDN ccTLDs are treated as ccTLDs. The Working Group's task should therefore focus on finding out whether IDN ccTLDs should be included in the ccNSO and what changes are needed to do so, as well as defining any possible consequences.

4. Relation with Activities of Working Group 1

It was noted that prior to the Brussels meeting there was a fundamental discussion in IDN PDP WG 1 whether or not to include Latin scripts and territory names under the IDN ccTLD label. The working group decided that Latin script will be included to the extent that there is a non-ascii character in the string under the U-label.

It was suggested to move ahead, unrelated to the work of the IDN PDP WG 1; firstly dealing with the representation in the ccNSO and then Article 9. It was also noted that since there already are IDN ccTLDs that are operational, the Working Group should take up their work as soon as possible.

5. Adjustment of Schedule and Time Line

Bart suggested that he will send out a tentative schedule, assuming that a topic paper will be produced by the Cartagena meeting. However, he underlined that it is possible to change the timeline, it should only be seen as an indication of what is planned to happen.

The Working Group agreed on this.

Action 01-02: Bart Boswinkel to post a tentative schedule to the Working Group, including the assumption that a topic paper will be produced by the Cartagena meeting.

6. Next Working Group Calls

The group decided that the current time of the meeting (Thursdays at 12.00 UTC) is a convenient time to meet. The group confirmed the suggested time and dates:

26 August

23 September

21 October

11 November

Action 01-03: Support staff to send a reminder for upcoming Working Group conferences, basing on the suggested time.

6. AOB

It was asked whether lawyers would be supporting the working group.

Bart clarified that Samantha Eisner from ICANN's legal team is subscribed the working group email list and will answer any questions the group might have.

Bart said he would post administrative matters to the email list within the upcoming weeks and invited the Working Group members to comment and discuss.

7. Closure

The meeting closed.