

Subject: Framework of Interpretation existing and applicable policies and guidelines
For delegation and redelegations of ccTLDs

18 March 2015

Dear Steve,

At its meeting on 11 February 2015, the ccNSO Council adopted the Framework of Interpretation and related recommendations contained in the Final Report of the Framework of Interpretations Working Group (FOIWG):

<http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/foi-final-07oct14-en.pdf> .

The full ccNSO Council resolution is available here:

<http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/foi-final-resolutions-11feb15-en.pdf>

Furthermore, the terms of the GAC Communiqué from ICANN52 are compatible with the FOI recommendations.

On behalf of the ccNSO Council and in accordance with its resolution we, the chair of the ccNSO and former chair of the FOIWG, recommend the ICANN Board of Directors adopt the FOI and the related recommendations, as included in the Final Report of the FOI WG as the specific guidance on the interpretation of the existing and applicable policies and guidelines on delegation, redelegations and revocation and transfer of ccTLDs.

Further, as stated in its resolution the ccNSO Council recommends that certain documents, including the GAC Principles 2000 (which the GAC superseded with their GAC Principles 2005), ICANN's ICP1 and News Memo 1 should all be archived and considered fully redundant by ICANN or IANA staff.

Finally, the ccNSO Council urges ICANN and relevant staff to implement the FOI and its associated recommendations in the near future, and the Council stands ready to assist relevant staff with that work.

Please note that the ccNSO Council will provide the FOI as input to both the CWG-Stewardship and CCWG-Accountability working groups, with the request that the FOI and relevant recommendations from the report be incorporated into their work, including into the Service Level Agreement, which will be included in the proposal for the IANA Transition Plan.

On behalf of the ccNSO Council, best regards,

Byron Holland and Keith Davidson