

Dear Lise, Jonathan, Mathieu, Leon and Thomas,

We are pleased to inform you that the Framework of Interpretation is proceeding to implementation phase following ICANN's acceptance of the final report by the ccNSO.

The ccNSO Council is aware of other issues raised by the DRDWG and the FOIWG, which require a formal PDP through the ccNSO as there are no existing policies or guidelines on these specific issues. Examples include the "Retirement of ccTLDs" when removed from the ISO 3166 list, and most critically, the "Appeals Mechanism" on issues of delegation, revocation or retirement of ccTLDs, as referred to in RFC1591, but which has never actualised.

While it is not possible or necessary to resolve these issues as part of the immediate priority for the IANA transition, it is critical that they be resolved. To this end, the ccNSO Council suggests that the ccNSO commit to initiate policies on these issues, after implementation of the FOI is completed and within a reasonable timeframe after completion of the IANA Stewardship Transition process. The ccNSO will also advise ICANN its intentions in regard to these policies as part of the transition process.

On behalf of the ccNSO Council

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