# ccNSO Council Telephone Conference 20 July 2017

# **Attendees:**

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Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci Abdalla Omari, .ke Abibu Ntahigiye, .tz

# ΑP

Debbie Monahan, .nz Hiro Hotta, .jp Young-Eum Lee, .kr

# EU

Katrina Sataki, .lv Peter Vergote, .be Nigel Roberts, .je, .gg

# LAC

Alejandra Reynoso, .gt

# NA

Stephen Deerhake, .as Byron Holland, .ca

# NomCom

Jian Zhang Christelle Vaval Ching Chiao

# Liaisons/Observers

Maureen Hilyard, ALAC Observer to the ccNSO Ben Fuller, ccNSO Liaison to the GNSO

# **Regional Organizations**

Leonid Todorov, APTLD Barrack Otieno, AfTLD Peter Van Roste, CENTR

# **ICANN Staff**

Bart Boswinkel Joke Braeken

# 1 Welcome and Apologies

Apologies: Margarita Valdés, Demi Getschko

# 2 Minutes and Actions

Minutes were distributed on 29 June 2017 and no comments were received from the Council.

Action items were distributed by Bart Boswinkel via email shortly before the call.

# 3 Overview inter-meeting Council decisions

The ccNSO Chair noted no inter-meetings were made, however she wanted to thank those who responded to the request for adding a Council meeting in August.

## 4 Appointments

4.1 Appointment Vadim A. Mikhaylov (.su) PDP WG Retirement of ccTLDs

Peter Van Roste asked how will the working group avoid discussion around .su and focus more on the abstract.

Bart Boswinkel responded that if one were to consult the IANA database, .su is listed as a ccTLD manager, no exception was made with regards to the charter on decision making – this will be addressed internally by the working group.

Nigel Roberts stated he was happy to have .su onboard as part of the working group.

# RESOLOUTION 131-01:

The ccNSO appoints Vadim A. Mikhaylov (.su) as member of the PDP WG Retirement.

Moved by: Alejandra Reynoso

Seconded by: Stephen Deerhake

Passed unanimously

#### 4.2 Progress ccNSO appointment NomCom FY 2018

The ccNSO Chair reminded Council that Jörg Schweiger's term is ending and ineligible for reappointment. A call for volunteers was launched and the Council will be asked to evaluate and select one candidate online.

Nigel Roberts added he does not think the Council should spend too much time on this as the call for volunteers has not yet concluded. He noted one application did not include the required background motivation letter. He urged the Council to base their decision on what the candidates provided – is an additional telephone conference call needed?

Bart Boswinkel noted this was put on the agenda as informational only. As soon as the nomination period has ended, Council will be provided all the background material the Secretariat has received.

The ccNSO Chair stated the appointment must be made by 4 August. There will be at least a week to evaluate candidates, not sure a call is necessary – but will have one if Council requests one.

Update: to date the following persons (self-)nominated:

Dejan Đukic (.rs)

Wafa Dahmani (.tn)

Eberhard Lisse (.na)

Pablo Rodriguez (.pr)

#### 5 ccNSO as Decisional Participant Update

# 5.1 Approval Action Process update

## Update on Approval Action ECA

Stephen Deerhake provided an update – regarding the fundamental bylaw change, the ASO has formally notified the ECA, as well as ICANN, their support; GNSO has formally noted their support; the ccNSO is in support but has not yet formally notified the ECA and ICANN. At the time of this report, the ECA has not heard from ALAC or GAC.

#### 5.2 Rejection Action Process update

#### • ECA update

Stephen Deerhake noted the rejection action period closed earlier in the week without any formal filing from any SOACs. Thus, ICANN is "up and running full force" as it was operating under a 10% expense reduction – FY18 budget, operating plan and ICANN budget has all been finalized.

#### 6 Update CSC charter review

The ccNSO Chair stated Bart Boswinkel earlier in the week circulated terms of reference.

Bart Boswinkel specified the scope of the CSC review is limited to the charter itself, the effectiveness of the CSC and how it performs its oversight of PTI is out of scope. This allowed the review to team make suggestions to future reviews. The draft proposes the small group continues, with a liaison from the CSC included and PTI can appoint a liaise as well.

# RESOLUTION 131-02:

#### Background

The ccNSO and RySG will have to review the charter of the Customer Standing Committee, starting October 2017. To structure the review process, the ccNSO Council and RySG agreed to define the terms of reference for the review. Both ccNSO and RySG will appointed 2 members to an ad-hoc group that now has proposed the terms of reference for the first review of the CSC charter.

Decision

The ccNSO Council adopts the Term of Reference as developed by the joint group of ccNSO and RySG: Terms of Reference Customer Standing Committee Charter Review version 1.0. The ccNSO Council request Abdalla Omari and Martin Boyle to remain member of the review team. The chair is requested to inform the RySG.

Moved by Alejandra Reynoso

Seconded by Byron Holland

Passed unanimously

#### **ACTION 131-01:**

The Chair is requested to inform RySG

7 Final Paper of the Cross-community WG Use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs

#### 7.1 Discussion and or adoption final paper

(https://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/ccwg-ctn-final-paper-15jun17-en.pdf)

The ccNSO Chair stated this topic has been discussed now at several meetings, and the Council has heard from Annebeth Lange on the happenings of this group. The Council now must decide how to move forward. The group has not been able to provide any real suggestions or ways to move forward. Which option listed below should the ccNSO adopt?

Ben Fuller briefed the Council on the GNSO – at the last GNSO Council meeting, the issue was discussed and they suggested going in the direction of creating a PDP. There is an existing PDP, that is relevant (the new gtld subsequent procedures), it was also suggesting this issue could be discussed within this PDP. The GNSO would like to know the thoughts of the ccNSO, which will allow them to draft a resolution.

Young Eum Lee noted she believes this working group should close, but the ccNSO must remain involved – but try to find another way forward and should consult the GAC.

The ccNSO Chair indicated the ccNSO would like to participate actively and have influence of the framework proposal.

Peter Vergote noted his preference for "option 3', with the understanding the ccNSO appointed members clearly inform the GNSO the position of the ccNSO, if there is consensus on the way forward.

The ccNSO Chair summarized, the final paper will be adopted and close the working group, but ask the appointed members to remain active and participate in the future work and provide the Council guidance. GNSO is looking at Work Track 5 – creation of separate working track on these issues and based on discussion in Johannesburg, this is an acceptable path for ccTLDs.

# RESOLUTION 131-03:

## Background

At the ccNSO members meeting the recommendations of the CCWG Use of Country and Territory names to continue work on use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs were discussed and supported.

However, the format to continue work is still under community discussion. Awaiting the outcome of that discussion the ccNSO Council defers the adoption of the final paper to the next meeting (July 2017).

#### Decision

The ccNSO Council adopts the Final Paper of and supports recommendation 1, 2 and 4:

- 1. Close this CWG in accordance with and as foreseen in the charter.
- 2. Recommend that the ICANN community consolidate all policy efforts relating to geographic names (as that term has traditionally very broadly been defined in the ICANN environment to this point) to enable in-depth analyses and discussions on all aspects related to all geographic-related names. This is the only way, in our view, to determine whether a harmonized framework is truly achievable.
- 4. Recommend that future policy development work must facilitate an all-inclusive dialogue to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate. Again, we believe that this is the only way to determine whether a harmonized framework is truly achievable.

The Council also request the ccNSO appointed members to the CWG to keep the Council abreast of the developments and advise the Council on next steps. The ccNSO Council thanks and congratulates the CWG and in particular its ccNSO appointed members and co-chair Annebeth Lange.

Moved by Byron Holland

Seconded by Stephen Deerhake

Passed unanimously

# 7.2 Discussion recommendation Study Group CTN Letter to the Board to request continued exclusion of country and territory names in subsequent new gTLDs rounds.

The ccNSO Chair reminded Council this was discussed previously. The initial recommendation was adopted in 2004 – no letter was written because the Council was waiting for outcome of the working group. It is recommended that no letter is to be sent as the community is still discussing the work of this group.

Stephen Deerhake stated a letter should be sent to advise the Board it's still an outstanding issue for the ccNSO and serve as a reminder that it still an important item for the community. This letter should be sent in addition to consultation with the GNSO Council.

The ccNSO Chair clarified the options – send letter to Board to keep status quo, revisit the letter during August meeting, to include Annebeth Lange and members of the working group or to defer this agenda item until the meeting in August.

# RESOLUTION 131-04:

At the ccNSO members meeting in Johannesburg the recommendations of the CCWG Use of Country and Territory names to continue work on use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs were discussed and supported. This also included the recommendation of the Study Group. However, as the format to

continue work is still under community discussion, and interest of the ccTLD community in future efforts needs to be ensured the ccNSO Councils defers the decision whether to send the letter to its August meeting, and request the secretariat to organize the drafting of such a letter, which includes at a minimum consultation of the ccNSO appointed members on the CCCWG and interested Councilors.

Passed unanimously

# ACTION ITEM 131-02:

The Secretariat is asked to organize drafting of letter.

# 8 EPSRP update

The ccNSO Chair reminded the Council, Hiro Hotta and Wafa Dahmani prepared a document with responses to the Board questions, it was then sent to SSAC who added some amendments and there was a discussion in Johannesburg. Hiro Hotta and Wafa Dahmani then reviewed the amendments, made suggestions and have again submitted the document to SSAC. Once the entire SSAC has reviewed the document, it will then be reviewed by the ccNSO Council.

# 9 PDP progress

Nigel Roberts updated the Council – the group had a face to face meeting in Johannesburg and subsequently a very productive call. Things are going well, and the group is getting organized and in the process of completing the rules of engagement.

The ccNSO Chair noted there was high praise for Jaap Akkerhuis' presentation to the working group and suggests he do another presentation at the Members day in Abu Dhabi.

# ACTION ITEM 131-03:

The Secretariat to ask Jaap Akkerhuis if he would be willing to present at the Members Day in Abu Dhabi.

#### 10 ICANN 60: meeting agenda (Abu Dhabi)

#### 10.1 Review ICANN 59

The ccNSO Chair noted for the Guidelines Review Committee, the face to face meeting went very well, getting insight/feedback on approval actions, and how to move forward with rejections actions. The ccNSO organized three cross community session, which was a lot of work and maybe too many to organize.

10.2 ICANN 60 Meeting schedule days and Tech day

The ccNSO Chair stated Alejandra Reynoso, sent a note to the community asking for suggestions on cross community session. Community leaders will be meeting within a week to discuss these sessions.

Alejandra Reynoso added the Meetings Programme WG is reviewing the input from the satisfaction survey. She reviewed the general block schedule with the Council. Tech Day is tentatively scheduled for Monday.

Stephen Deerhake asked for clarification as to why the PDP WG was being schedule for the end of the

meeting versus the beginning.

Bart Boswinkel clarified the timing followed the FOI to ensure others, like GAC members, are available to participate and based on experience, the day would allow more to participate.

# 11 CSC and RZERC update

10.1 CSC update (Byron)

Byron Holland noted a subcommittee met earlier to discuss remedial actions – good progress has been made. He also stated last month was the first time PTI met all the 63 requirements, 100%. Continued work from the CSC includes improvement of the survey, review of the PTI function and day to day reporting.

## 12 Council Updates

- 12.1 Chair Update
- 12.2 Vice-Chair Update
- 12.3 Councilors Update

Stephen Deerhake reminded Council of his appointment to the CCWG Auction Proceeds. The group met earlier in the week. His personal belief is to scroll the money away in trust, but the group is "intent on finding ways to spend it".

- 12.4 Regional Organizations Update
- 12.5 Secretariat update

Bart Boswinkel updated the Council on the potential for live scribing during the Council calls.

#### 13 WG update

- 13.1 Programme WG (Alejandra)
- 13.2 GRC update (Katrina)

The ccNSO Chair Informed Council the Guidelines Review Committee had a call earlier in the week and will finalize the approval action guideline, and Stephen Deerhake will work on the rejection action guideline.

13.3 CCWG Auction Proceeds (Ching)

The ccNSO Chair reminded Council, that Ching Chiao's Council term ends as Councilor after Abu Dhabi, but he is the co-chair of the auctions proceed Group. The group hopes to have a final report by the end of the year. The Council needs to decide if he should continue his work with the working group, even though his term ends in Abu Dhabi.

Peter Vergote gave an update to the Council – he noted the working group has found the right "pace". They meet bi-weekly with a lot of specific work being done. The group is leveling out the charter questions, which will help develop the direction of travel for the interim report. He provided links to the website where the current work of the group is housed. He also noted his support for Ching Chiao to

continue his work through the end of the year – he believes Ching Chiao is doing a great job, very involved and very dedicated.

Support was given for Ching Chiao to continue his work on this working group, and he notes his willingness to continue as well.

# 14 Liaison Updates

- 14.1 GNSO Update (written update).
- 14.2 ALAC Update (written update).

# 15 Next meetings

- Thursday 24 August, time to be determined
- Thursday 21 September 12.00 UTC
- Thursday 18 October, 18.00 UTC

# 16 AOB

# 17 Closure