

IDN PDP WG 1 Telephone Conference
3 November 2010

Attendees:

Bart Boswinkel, ICANN
Cheryl Langdon Orr, ALAC
Manal Ismail, GAC
Chris Disspain, .au (Chair)
Avri Doria, GNSO (Observer)
Jaap Akkerhuis, Expert on Standardisation

Apologies:

Hiro Hotta, .jp
Minjung Park, .kr
Gihan Dias, .lk
Mandy Carver, ICANN

- The group discussed the fact that an application for an IDN ccTLD string must be a meaningful representation of the territory and that it must be non-contentious. *Manal Ismail* asked at the request of some GAC members how ICANN will be able to judge whether an application for an IDN ccTLD string is non-contentious and why not relevant public authority should make that decision.

The Chair replied that he recommend to seeking guidance from the GAC relevant what they would expect in those cases. He also pointed out that local authorities might not always be neutral about objections to an application.

Manal further asked whether lack of objection to the IDN ccTLD string would be enough to establish non- contentiousness, or if it would be expected by the governments to provide more detailed documentation as proof of consensus.

The Chair replied that if objections arise from organisations within a specific country to the meaningfulness of a string, the government in question may be asked by ICANN to address the issue. However, if no objections arise, ICANN will consider the application non-contentious.

Bart noted that the applications for IDN ccTLD strings most likely would be confidential, which might make them difficult to object to. The group discussed for how long the confidentiality should apply.

The Chair suggested that the topic should be further addressed during the Joint ccNSO/GAC meeting in Cartagena.

- *Bart Boswinkel* ran through the redline Decisions Document, version 3, explaining the changes to the text.
- The group discussed the issue of possible confusion between some IDN ccTLDs and IDN gTLDs in different scripts.
- *Jaap Akkerhuis* asked what would happen when a country changes its name. The Chair replied that such an issue would be handled according to a ccNSO Retirement Policy, which is in the process of being developed. In the Decision document this will be made explicit.
- *Bart* quickly introduced the Process Document to the group and highlighted section nr 2, which is an overview of the selection process for ccTLD strings.

The Chair asked Bart to notify the Working Group that the Process Documents was not addressed and to encourage the members to submit comments before the next call. *Bart* added that he would also update the Decisions Document and sent it to the email list.

Action: *Bart Boswinkel* to notify the IDN PDP Working Group 1 that the Process Documents was not addressed and to encourage the members to submit comments before the next conference call.

Action: *Bart Boswinkel* to update the Decisions Document and distribute it to the Working group email list.

- The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the call.