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	20/11/2012	Three GAC Early Warning sent to Booking.com B.V.
	05/02/2013	Comment Period opens on "Closed Generic" gTLD Applications.
	05/02/2013	Comment Period opens on "Revised New gTLD Registry Agreement Including Additional Public Interest Commitments Specification".
	05/03/2013	Posting of Public Interest Commitments (PIC) Specifications. Booking.com B.V. does not submit a PIC.
HOTREC files a Community Objection against HOTELS Application (Booking.com B.V.)	13/03/2013	
	15/03/2013	Public Interest Commitments Dispute Resolution Procedure Introduced
HOTREC send a letter to NGCP related to "Closed Generic" gTLDs Application	02/04/2013	
Administrative review of the objection completed	04/04/2013	
	11/04/2013	Beijin GAC Communique including Safeguards on New gTLDs - Category 2 Restricted Registration Policies.

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	23/04/2013	Comment Period Opens on New gTLD Board Committee Consideration of GAC Safeguard Advice (To solicit input on how the New gTLD Board Committee should address GAC advice regarding safeguards applicable to broad categories of New gTLD strings).
ICC consolidates HOTREC and HCPC Objections against HOTELS	25/04/2013	
	29/04/2013	Comment Period Opens on Proposed Final New gTLD.Registry Agreement
	10/05/2013	NGPC Progress on GAC Advice
	22/05/2013	Update on NGPC Progress on GAC Advice on New gTLDs
Booking.com submits its response to the Objection	24/05/2013	
	14/06/2013	NGPC Progress on Addressing GAC Beijing Advice on New gTLDs
Appointment of Ms. Kirby as the Expert	24/06/2013	

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HOTREC requests a stay of the proceedings	25/06/2013	Approved Resolutions Meeting of the New gTLD Program Committee. <i>"the NGPC adopts the "Proposed PIC Spec Implementation of GAC Category 2 Safeguards" (20 June 2013), attached as Annex I [PDF, 52 KB] to this Resolution, to accept and implement the GAC's Category 2 Safeguard Advice for applicants not seeking to impose exclusive registry access. " and "the NGPC directs staff to defer moving forward with the contracting process for applicants seeking to impose exclusive registry access for "generic strings" to a single person or entity and/or that person's or entity's Affiliates (as defined in Section 2.9(c) of the Registry Agreement), pending a dialogue with the GAC."</i>
	27/06/2013	NGPC Progress on Addressing GAC Beijing Advice on New gTLDs.
	01/07/2013	
	03/07/2013	NGPC Progress on Addressing GAC Beijing Advice on New gTLDs. <i>"The NGPC approved the form of the New gTLD Registry Agreement and authorized ICANN staff to take all necessary steps to implement it and to move forward with implementation of the New gTLD Program."</i>
	18/07/2013	Durban GAC Communique
ICC confirms full constitution of the Expert Panel	06/08/2013	

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HOTREC requests as stay of the proceedings based on the revision of Specification 11 of the Registry Agreement	09/08/2013	
<i>Booking.com opposes the stay of the proceedings, stating that "neither NGPC nor ICANN nor any other organization advised, recommended or ordered to stay Community Objection proceedings regarding "closed generic" gTLDs"</i>	12/08/2013	
The Expert denies HOTREC's request for a stay of the proceedings	13/08/2013	
	16/08/2013	NGPC Begins Consideration of GAC Durban Advice on New gTLDs
	19/08/2013	ICANN inquires as to whether applicants targeted by Category 2 Safeguard Advice plan to operate the applied-for TLDs as exclusive access registries.
<i>HOTREC's files supplemental comments, including NGPC request for "[ICANN] staff to defer moving forward with the contracting process for applicants seeking to impose exclusive registry access for 'generic strings' to a single person or entity and/or that person's or entity's Affiliates (as defined in Section 2.9(c) of the Registry Agreement), pending a dialogue with the GAC [Governmental Advisory Committee]."</i>	20/08/2013	
HOTREC requests the Expert to conduct hearings	02/09/2013	

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The Expert denies HOTREC's request fo conducting hearings	03/09/2013	
	12/09/2013	NGPC Takes Action on GAC Durban Advice on New gTLDs
	01/10/2013	<p>NGPC Considers Remaining Beijing and Durban Advice on New gTLDs. <i>"Category 2 Safeguard Advice: The NGPC directs staff to move forward with the contracting process for applicants for strings identified in the Category 2 Safeguard Advice that are prepared to enter into the Registry Agreement as approved.</i></p> <p><i>The NGPC further directs staff to prepare an analysis and proposal for how to implement the Category 2 Safeguard Advice for applicants who do intend to impose exclusive registry access for generic strings."</i></p>
	02/10/2013	Comment Period Opens on Revised Public Interest Commitments Dispute Resolution Procedure (PICDRP)

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Expert determination is communicated to HOTREC	09/10/2013	<p>Applicant Responses to GAC Category 2 Advice (Published 9 October 2013 and updated 25 October 2013).</p> <p><i>"Applicants of 35 applications indicated that their applications currently state that the applied-for TLDs will be operated as exclusive access registries, but the applicants will not operate them as exclusive access registries."</i></p> <p><i>"Applicants of the 35 applications mentioned above will be asked to submit a change request to align their applications and intent. Once an application change request has been approved by ICANN and the application becomes eligible, these applicants will be invited to the Contracting process in order of priority number."</i></p> <p>Booking.com's application for HOTELS is included in this set of 35 applications.</p>
	08/11/2013	Minutes from the GAC's Durban Meetings published
	19/11/2013	

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Buenos Aires GAC Communique. *"II. GAC Advice to the Board 1. Category 1 and Category 2 Safeguard Advice*
The GAC welcomed the response of the Board to the GAC's Beijing Communiqué advice on Category 1 and Category 2 safeguards. The GAC received useful information regarding implementation of the safeguards during its discussions with the New gTLD Program Committee. GAC members asked for clarification of a number of issues and look forward to ICANN's response.

a. The GAC highlights the importance of its Beijing advice on 'Restricted Access' registries, particularly with regard to the need to avoid undue preference and/or undue disadvantage.

i. The GAC requests

1. A briefing on whether the Board considers that the existing PIC specifications (including 3c) fully implements this advice."