

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

13 June 2014

Heather Dryden Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee

Re: NGPC Meeting of 6 June 2014

Dear Heather:

I am pleased to provide you with an update on actions taken by the ICANN Board New gTLD Program Committee (NGPC) to continue to address remaining open items of GAC advice. On 6 June 2014, the NGPC met and adopted another iteration of a scorecard to address the GAC's request in the Singapore Communiqué for clarification on a number of implementation issues related to WHOIS verification and checks, and enforcement of public interest commitments in the New gTLD Registry Agreement, among other things.

The scorecard, available <u>here</u>,¹ includes Annex 2, which provides the NGPC's <u>responses</u>² to the questions posed by the GAC.

As I noted in my 2 June 2014 letter, there remain only a handful of GAC advice items to resolve:

- 1. IGO and IOC/RCRC acronym protections (2013-11-20-IGO; 2014-03-27-IGO; 2013-07-18-Red Cross Acronyms);
- 2. Category 2 Safeguards Exclusive Access for Generic Strings (<u>2013-04-11-Safeguards-Categories-</u>2);
- 3. Protections for RCRC society names (2014-03-27-RCRC); and
- 4. .RAM/.INDIANS (2014-03-27-ram-indians).

The NGPC will continue to provide updates on its work to respond to the remaining open items of GAC advice from Beijing, Durban, Buenos Aires and Singapore. I look forward to seeing you in London.

Best regards,

Stephen D. Crocker, Chair ICANN Board of Directors

¹ https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-new-gtld-annex-1-06jun14-en.pdf

² https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-new-gtld-annex-2-06jun14-en.pdf