BGRI Face-to-Face Meeting

11 March 2012

San Jose, Costa Rica

Agenda

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1. Review of Progress on Recommendations 9, 10 and 14

2. Workplan for remaining items

3. Formal Process for Board-GAC Information Exchange

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Recommendation 9

"Board, acting through the GAC-Board joint working group (JWG), should clarify what constitutes GAC public policy "advice" under the Bylaws."

Recommendation 9 – Open Issues

- Confirm WG agreement on what constitutes GAC Advice to the Board

- Formatting GAC Advice

- Board-GAC Communication regarding Recommendation 9

Recommendation 10

"Board, acting through the JWG, should establish a more formal, documented process by which it notifies the GAC in writing of matters that affect public policy concerns to request GAC advice ICANN should develop an on-line record of each request to, & advice received from, the GAC along with the Board's consideration of & response to each advice."

Recommendation 10

Staff Presentation on
Strawman Advice Register Tool

Recommendation 10 – Open Issues

- Consensus on Register format

- Handshake on Register contents

  - Who is responsible for Board and GAC?

- GAC Advice to SOs and ACs

- Operational Issues

  - Where does Register live?

  - Updates and interactivity

- Board/GAC communication regarding Recommendation 10

Recommendation 14

"Board should endeavor to increase the level of support & commitment of governments to the GAC process; encourage member countries & organizations to participation in GAC & place particular focus on engaging nations in developing world & need for multilingual access to ICANN records; Board also should work with GAC to establish a process to determine when & how ICANN engages senior govt. officials on public policy issues on a regular & collective basis to complement existing GAC process."

Recommendation 14 – Open Issues

- Consensus on hosting High Level Meeting

- Remaining Issues on this Recommendation

BGRI Workplan

Recommendation 11

"Board & GAC should work together to have the GAC advice provided & considered on a more timely basis; Board, acting through the JWG, should establish a formal, documented process by which the Board responds to GAC advice. This process should set forth how & when the Board will inform the GAC, on a timely basis, whether it agrees or disagrees with the advice & will specify what details the Board will provide to the GAC if it disagrees with the advice; process should also set forth procedures by which GAC & Board will then "try in good faith & in a timely efficient manner, to find a mutually acceptable solution." Consider establishing other mechanisms by which Board & GAC can satisfy the Bylaw provisions relating to GAC advice."

Recommendation 12

"The Board, acting through the GAC-Board joint working group, should develop and implement a process to engage the GAC earlier in the policy development process."

Recommendation 13

"The Board and the GAC should jointly develop and implement actions to ensure that the GAC is fully informed as to the policy agenda at ICANN and that ICANN policy staff is aware of and sensitive to GAC concerns. In doing so, the Board and the GAC may wish to consider creating/revising the role of ICANN staff support, including the appropriate skill sets necessary to provide effective communication with and support to the GAC, and whether the Board and the GAC would benefit from more frequent joint meetings."

Priorities and Deadlines

Formal Process of Board requesting and responding to GAC Advice

Thank You

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Questions