# Final Issue Report on Protection of Int'l Organization Names in new gTLDs

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#### **Updates Since Prague**

#### **New gTLD Committee Resolution:**

- GNSO to advise Board prior to 31 January of any concerns over protection for RCRC/IOC names
- Board will be prepared to adopt GAC recommendations for 2<sup>nd</sup> level protection absent advice

GNSO Final Issue Report Published: Council to consider PDP in Toronto

GNSO-IOC/RC DT: Proposal for 2<sup>nd</sup> level protection of RCRC/IOC names

- Expedited PDP to determine any appropriate protections
- Interim temporary reservation of RCRC/IOC 2<sup>nd</sup> level domain names



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#### **Objective**

- Define type of organizations that qualify for any top and second level protections
- Structuring of PDP to effectively determine any appropriate protections at top and second levels

#### Scope

Evaluation of whether to protect the names of both IGOs and NGOs at the top and second levels in new gTLDs



## Issues to Explore in PDP

- Definition of international organizations
- Quantifying the entities to be considered for special protection
- Scope of existing protections under international treaties/national laws for Red Cross, IOC and IGO names
- Distinguishing between Red Cross/IOC from other international organizations
- Establishing an objective set of criteria to determine which international organizations would qualify for any special protections



#### Staff Recommendations

- GNSO Council should initiate a PDP
- Formally invite representatives of IGOs, RCRC and IOC to participate in the PDP WG
- Consider expanding any new gTLD protections to existing gTLDs
- Suggest adopting an expedited work plan and dedicating necessary resources to facilitate timely implementation



## Next Steps

- GNSO Council to consider initiating PDP in Toronto
- Public Comment Reply Period for IOC/RC
  DT proposal closes on 9 November



## Additional Background Info

#### **IGOs**

- GAC may change current position of no protection
- CEO's 3 October response letter to UN
  - Refers to PDP/Encourages participation

#### Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement

- Requested meeting with senior mgmt in Toronto
  - Position: protection is legal requirement, not policy issue
  - ICANN: DT Proposal, Board Resolution addressing RCRC concerns



## Additional Background Info

Final Issue Report

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http://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/protectionigo-names-final-issue-report-01oct12-en.pdf

Public Comment Forum on IOC/RC Drafting Team Recommendations

https://www.icann.org/en/news/publiccomment/ioc-rcrc-recommendations-28sep12en.htm

ICANN CEO Letter to UN on IGOs

http://www.icann.org/en/news/correspondence/chehade-to-stelzer-03oct12-en

## Thank You



# Questions

