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 2nd level protection absent advice

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

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

- Expedited PDP to determine any appropriate protections
- Interim temporary reservation of RCRC/IOC 2nd 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
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Public Comment Forum on IOC/RC Drafting Team Recommendations

ICANN CEO Letter to UN on IGOs
Thank You
Questions