

Appeals of ccTLD Delegation and Redelegation Decisions

*Background on Decision to Exclude
this from the CWG Proposal*

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Background

- First (Dec 1) CWG proposal recommended that “all IANA actions which affect the Root Zone or Root Zone WHOIS database be subject to an independent and binding appeals panel”.
- Delegations and redelegations of ccTLDs were not excluded
- Survey of CWG in January found that ccTLD managers should be able to appeal del/redel decisions
- But there was no consensus on the more detailed aspects of an appeal mechanism e.g. who could have standing to appeal.

Design Team B

- Design Team B created by CWG to assess level of support for a detailed ccTLD appeal mechanism:

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- Creation of DT B was controversial; some said that the issue was for the ccTLD community to decide, not the CWG

Survey & Findings

- DT B Undertook survey in March of community using 'ccTLDworld' list (all ccTLD managers)
- Replies on behalf of just 28 ccTLDs were received, out of 248 managers,
- DT B judged such a low level of response to be an insufficient basis to provide a mandate for the inclusion of an appeal mechanism in the CWG-Stewardship's proposal.

Survey & Findings

- While acknowledging the limitations of drawing any conclusions from a survey with such a low response rate, DT B nevertheless pointed out that these limited responses tended to reinforce the overall recommendation:
 - Only 58% believed that an appeal mechanism should be part of the CWG proposal
 - Some 73% agreed that it should be dealt with after the IANA Transition was over
 - No consensus emerged on the parameters of such an appeal mechanism
 - Some 71% of respondents indicated that they would not wish to see this delay the IANA Transition.
- DT B's full report is in Annex O of CWG Final Proposal