ICANN Policy Update Webinar

Policy Department, June 2012

Introduction

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Goals for this session

- Update you on current Policy work and encourage you to participate
- Review issues to be discussed at the ICANN Meeting in Prague
- Inform you of upcoming initiatives and opportunities to provide input
- Introduction to ALAC policy issues
- Answer any questions you might have

ICANN Meeting in Prague

- Highlights include:
  - Newcomers Track Day
  - RAA Amendments
  - New gTLD Program
  - Accountability & Transparency Reviews – Community Consultation
  - ALAC Anniversary Event
- Further information http://prague44.icann.org/ and http://prague44.icann.org/full-schedule to see different tracks

Policy Developed at ICANN by:

ICANN Supporting Organizations

- GNSO – Generic Names Supporting Organization
- ccNSO – Country-code Names Supporting Organization
- ASO – Address Supporting Organization

Advice provided by Advisory Committee

- ALAC – At-Large Advisory Committee
- SSAC – Security & Stability Advisory Committee
- RSSAC – Root Server System Advisory Committee
- GAC – Governmental Advisory Committee

Topics covered in this session

Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

- Status of completed, current and possible impending PDPs (Marika Konings)
- Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) (Margie Milam)
- WHOIS Update (Liz Gasster, Berry Cobb, Steve Sheng)
- Consumer Choice, Competition and Trust (Berry Cobb)
- Cross Community Working Groups (Julie Hedlund)
- Protection of IOC and Red Cross names (Brian Peck)

Topics covered in this session

Country Code Supporting Organization (ccNSO)

- Update on Membership (Bart Boswinkel)
- Overview of Main Activities
- Joint Working Groups (DSSA, JIG)

At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)

- ALAC Policy Issues
- ALAC Process Issues

Address Supporting Organization (ASO)

- Recovered IPv4 Post Exhaustion (Olof Nordling)

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GNSO Policy Issues

Current issues being discussed in GNSO

- Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP)
- Locking of Domain Names Subject to UDRP Proceedings
- Fake Renewal Notices
- Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA)
- WHOIS
- Uniformity of Contracts
- Consumer Choice, Competition and Trust
- Cross Community Working Groups
- Protection of IOC, Red Cross, IGO names for new gTLDs
- Others – currently there are over 20 projects underway

Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP)

Marika Konings

Why is it important?

- Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP)
- Straightforward process for registrants to transfer domain names between registrars
- Currently under review to ensure improvements and clarification – nr 1. area of consumer complaints according to data from ICANN Compliance

IRTP Part B PDP – Status Update

- Following adoption by the Board, most of the IRTP Part B Recommendations are in the process of being implemented. Majority will come into effect on 1 June 2012 – incl. TEAC)
- Board adopted recommendation on new provision on how to lock / unlock domain names in Costa Rica
- Last remaining recommendation on standardizing and clarifying Whois status messages concerning Registrar Lock was adopted by the ICANN Board in May

IRTP Part C PDP Working Group

- IRTP Part C to address three issues:
  a) "Change of Control" function
  b) Should Form Of Authorization (FOA)s be time-limited
  c) Should registries be required to use IANA IDs for registrars rather than proprietary IDs.
- WG conducted data gathering survey – 100 responses received
- In addition to weekly conference call, email deliberations, public comment forum & SG/C statements

Initial Report Published

- Recommendation #1 - Adoption of change of registrant consensus policy, which outlines the rules and requirements for a change of registrant of a domain name registration
- Recommendation #2 - Time-limit FOAs
- Recommendation #3 – Allow opt-out of time-limited FOA if desired by registrant (pre-authorization)
- Recommendation #4 - All gTLD Registry Operators be required to publish the Registrar of Record's IANA ID in the TLD's thick WHOIS

But some outstanding issues remain to be resolved – WG looking for public input!

How to get involved

- IRTP Part C Workshop in Prague on Wednesday from 9.00 – 11.00 http://prague44.icann.org/node/31759
- Submit your comments on the Initial Report – see http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/irtp-c-initial-report-04jun12-en.htm

Background Information

- IRTP Part C Initial Report – http://gnso.icann.org/issues/transfers/irtp-c-initial-report-04jun12-en.pdf
- IRTP Part C Initial Report Public Comment Forum – http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/irtp-c-initial-report-04jun12-en.htm
- Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy - http://www.icann.org/en/transfers/

Locking of a Domain Name Subject to UDRP Proceedings PDP

Marika Konings

Why is it important?

- Following the recommendation of the IRTP Part B WG and the Issue Report on the UDRP, the GNSO Council initiated a PDP limited to the subject of locking of a domain name subject to UDRP Proceedings
- Currently there is no requirement to lock names in period between filing complaint and commencement of proceedings and no definition of 'status quo'

Charter Questions

- Whether the creation of an outline of a proposed procedure, which a complainant must follow in order for a registrar to place a domain name on registrar lock, would be desirable.
- Whether the creation of an outline of the steps of the process that a registrar can reasonably expect to take place during a UDRP dispute would be desirable.
- Whether the time frame by which a registrar must lock a domain after a UDRP has been filed should be standardized.
- Whether what constitutes a “locked" domain name should be defined.
- Whether, once a domain name is 'locked' pursuant to a UDRP proceeding, the registrant information for that domain name may be changed or modified.
- Whether additional safeguards should be created for the protection of registrants in cases where the domain name is locked subject to a UDRP proceeding.

Recent Developments & Next Steps

- A WG was formed and has started its deliberations
- One of the first tasks of the WG is to obtain public input ‘in order to have a clear understanding of the exact nature and scope of issues encountered with the locking of a domain name subject to UDRP Proceedings’
- WG has developed survey for registrars and UDRP Providers to obtain further input

How to get involved?

- UDRP Domain Name Lock Open WG Meeting – Thursday 28 June from 9.00 – 10.30 http://prague44.icann.org/node/31807
- Submit your comments once the public comment forum opens (or participate in the survey if you are a registrar or UDRP provider!)

Further Information

- https://community.icann.org/display/gnsolockdomainnamedt/Home

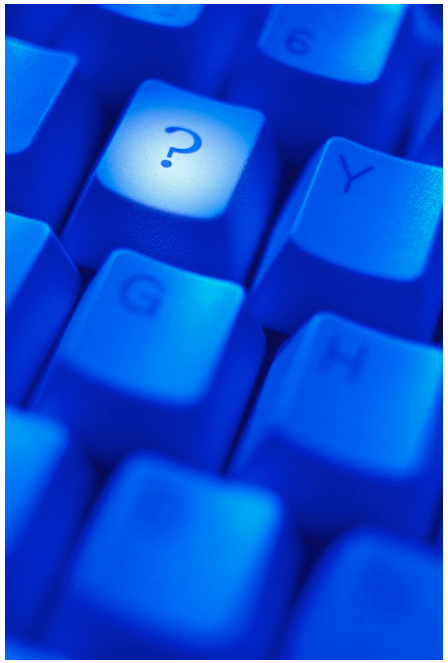
Fake Renewal Notices

Marika Konings

Why is it important?

- Fake renewal notices are misleading correspondence sent to registrants from an individual or organization claiming to be or to represent the current registrar
- Registration Abuse Policies WG recommended initiation of PDP on fake renewal notices
- Council decided to obtain further information on this issue to help inform its deliberations on whether or not to initiate a PDP

Recent Developments



- Drafting team formed to prepare a request for information on fake renewal notices from the Registrar Stakeholder Group and report back accordingly
- DT conducted a survey to obtain input from registrars
- Nineteen registrars responded to the survey, representing approximately 50% of all gTLD registrations under management
- Responses were split with registrars either viewing this as a serious problem or not a problem at all

Potential Next Steps recommended by DT

- Options that the GNSO Council may wish to consider as potential next steps:
  - Add a section to the RAA that addresses Business Practices
  - Add the issue to the current or one of the upcoming Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP) PDPs
  - Add this issue to the upcoming PDP on the RAA

Potential Next Steps recommended by DT

- Refer the issue to the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) to encourage better education and awareness of this type of abuse amongst the end-user community
- Raise this issue with the Federal Trace Commission (FTC) in the United States to see if the registrar is in compliance with relevant law
- Initiate a Policy Development Process on Fake Renewal Notices
- Do not proceed with any action at this time

Next Steps

- Council decided to put report incl. potential next steps out for public comment (see http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/fake-renewal-notices-report-21mar12-en.htm)
- Reply period closed on 11 May, 6 contributions received
- Council has requested DT to review comments received, update report, if deemed appropriate, and report back accordingly

Further Information

- Fake Renewal Notices Drafting Team Report - http://gnso.icann.org/issues/frn/fake-renewal-notices-report-06mar12-en.pdf
- Public comment forum - http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/fake-renewal-notices-report-21mar12-en.htm

RAA Update

Margie Milam

Two Projects- Parallel Tracks

Bilateral Negotiations

Currently Underway

- Community Wiki to provide updates
  - Updated recommendations from LE community on WHOIS validation and Data Retention (April 30 & May 6th)
- Pre-Prague publication of draft RAA documents reflect current status

Issue Report Request

Board Requested GNSO PDP on "Remaining Issues"

- Final Issue Report Published
- Commencement of PDP to take place after Negotiations conclude

Current Status of Negotiations

Informational Documents Posted

- **ICANN RAA Draft -** reflects ICANN's most recent draft, but is **not** a negotiated or approved document.
- **Key amendments include:**
  - Verification/Validation of WHOIS/Registrant Data
  - Enhanced Data Collection on registrants
  - Enhanced Reseller Obligations
  - Creation of a Proxy/Privacy Accreditation Program
  - Creation of Abuse Point of Contact
  - Additional Registrar Information
  - Enhanced Compliance Related Obligations
  - Prohibition of Cybersquatting

Prague Session on the RAA Negotiations

Community Consultation- 25 June 2012

Goal: to inform the conclusion of the negotiations

Key Questions:

- Pre vs. Post Resolution Verification
- Phone Verification Requiring Return of a Unique Code
- Annual Re-Verification
- Data Retention
- Universal Adoption of the RAA

For more information, see:

http://prague44.icann.org/meetings/prague2012/presentation-raa-negotiation-issues-04jun12-en.pdf

Staff Recommendations-Issue Report

- GNSO Council to initiate a PDP upon
  - Report that the RAA negotiations have concluded
  - Report that any of the Proposed Amendment Topics are no longer actively being negotiated
  - Board instruction to proceed with a PDP on any of the Proposed Amendment Topics

For more information:

RAA Status Announcement:

http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-7-04jun12-en.htm

RAA Negotiations Wiki:

https://community.icann.org/display/RAA/Negotiations+Between+ICANN+and+Registrars+to+Amend+the+Registrar+Accreditation+Agreement

GNSO RAA Final Issue Report:

https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/30344497/Final+Issue+Report-RAA+FINAL+3+6+12.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1331143682000

Prague Session Information:

http://prague44.icann.org/node/31631

WHOIS Studies Update

Liz Gasster

WHOIS Topics

- WHOIS Studies – 4 studies:
  - "Misuse" of public data
  - Registrant Identification
  - Proxy/Privacy "Abuse"
  - Proxy/Privacy Relay and Reveal
- WHOIS Service Requirements Report – upcoming survey
- Other WHOIS activities

Goals of gTLD WHOIS studies

- WHOIS policy debated for many years
- GNSO Council decided in October 2007 that study data was needed to provide objective, factual basis for future policy making
- Identified several WHOIS study areas that reflect key policy concerns
- Asked staff to determine costs and feasibility of conducting those studies
- Staff used an RFP approach to do so
- Studies are approved and are now (mostly) underway

WHOIS Misuse Study

Study is assessing whether public WHOIS significantly increases harmful acts and the impact of anti-harvesting measures. Two approaches :

1. Experimental: register test domains and measure harmful messages resulting from misuse
2. Descriptive: study misuse incidents reported by registrants, researchers/ law enforcement

Cost: $150,000 (USD)

Awarded to Carnegie Mellon U., Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Status: Initiated in mid-2011

Time estimate: initial results in mid - 2013

Registrant Identification Study

- Study is examining info about how domain name registrants are identified and classifying various types of entities that register domains, including natural persons, various types of legal persons and Privacy and Proxy service providers.
- Study has been recast as an "exploratory" data-gathering effort that is not hypothesis-driven. This will also provide more consistency with related GAC proposals offered in 2008.

Cost: approx. $180,000 (USD) (revised due to change in study terms). Awarded to NORC at the U. of Chicago.

Time estimate: 1 year

Status: Launched late October 2011, target initial results in late 2012

Privacy and Proxy "Abuse" Study

This study will compare a broad sample of Privacy & Proxy-registered domains associated with alleged harmful acts to assess:

1. How often bad actors try to obscure identity in WHOIS
2. How this rate of abuse compares to overall P/P use
3. How this rate compares to alternatives like falsified WHOIS data, compromised machines, and free web hosting

Cost: $180,000 (USD)

Time estimate: 1 year

Status: Just being launched by the National Physical Lab of the UK. Initial results are expected in mid-2013

WHOIS P/P Relay & Reveal Study

The original study would analyze communication relay and identity reveal requests sent for Privacy & Proxy-registered domains:

1. To explore and document how they are processed, and
2. To identify factors that may promote or impede timely communication and resolution.

Potential bidders were unsure of the feasibility of this study, especially obtaining a sufficient data sample, so the Council opted to conduct a pre-study to survey potential participants to determine if launching a full study is feasible to do.

Cost: $80,000 (USD) for Pre-study Survey

Awarded to Interisle Consulting

Status: Launched in September, initial results expected shortly

WHOIS Service Requirements Report – upcoming survey by WSWG

Liz Gasster
Berry Cobb

Survey Background

- May 2009 -- The GNSO Council asked Policy Staff to compile a comprehensive set of potential ***technical*** "requirements" for WHOIS service that reflect not only known deficiencies in the current service but also technical requirements that may be needed to support various ***policy*** initiatives that have been suggested in the past.
- Final Report released 29 July 2010
- In 2011 the GNSO Council convened a Working Group to develop a survey to try to estimate the level of agreement with various "requirements" among the GNSO community.

Examples--survey will include:

- Mechanism to find authoritative Whois servers
- Standardized query structure
- Well-defined schema for replies
- Standardized error messages
- History of domain registration data
- Internationalized registration data

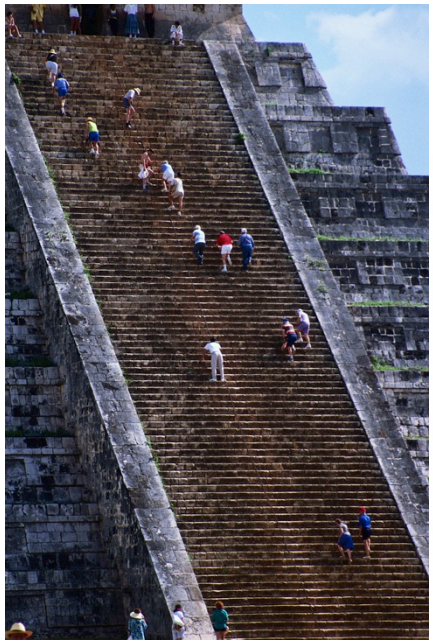
Why is the survey important?

- Will help estimate the level of agreement with various “requirements” among the GNSO community
- Offers the community a voice as to technical features of a future WHOIS system
- Analysis & Report may be useful for IETF protocol efforts
- The survey is a technical inventory and does not define or suggest the policies or operational rules that should apply

Recent Developments

- A draft survey was posted 30 May for public comment
- Webinars held on 1 June to solicit input from experts knowledgeable about technical aspects of WHOIS who can help assess if the survey asks the right questions and in the right style to elicit technical feedback.

Next steps



- Create proposed final draft for GNSO review
- Conduct survey
- Analyze results and publish Final Report

More information:

- General Information about WHOIS Studies: http://gnso.icann.org/issues/whois/studies
- Information about WHOIS technical service requirements survey: http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-30may12-en.htm

WHOIS IRD WG

Steve Sheng

What is it?

- IRD-WG: Joint Working Group of GNSO and SSAC
- Study the *feasibility and suitability* of introducing submission and display specifications to deal with the internationalization of registration data

Why is it important?

- Supporting IRD is an important evolutionary step for the WHOIS service
- No standards exist for submission and display of Internationalised registration data in directory services
- Current WHOIS implementations do not consistently support IRD and could lead to poor user experience and interoperability issues

Current Status

The IRD-WG working group has published its final report:

http://gnso.icann.org/issues/ird/final-report-ird-wg-06mar12-en.pdf

The SSAC revised and approved the Final Report in April

The GNSO is considering the report in its next council meeting

Issues IRD-WG considered

- Is it suitable to internationalize domain registration data?
- What data elements are suitable to be internationalized?
- Is the current WHOIS system capable of handling the query and display of Internationalized Domain Name Registration Data?
- What specifications are feasible to deal with Internationalized Domain Name Registration Data?

IRD-WG Final Report Recommendations

1. ICANN staff should develop, in consultation with the community, a data model for domain registration data.
2. The GNSO council and the SSAC should request a common Issue Report on translation and transliteration of contact information.

IRD-WG Final Report Recommendations

3. ICANN staff should work with the community to identify a Registration Data Access Protocol that meets the needs of internationalization.
4. ICANN should take appropriate steps to require gTLD registries and registrars and persuade ccTLD registries and registrars to support the following standards.

Next Steps

- Once the GNSO and the SSAC have approved the final version of the report the GNSO and SSAC will jointly submit it to the Board.
- The GNSO Council will review the recommendations in the Report and shall provide to the Board its advice with regard to those recommendations that may have policy implications (such as translation and transliteration).

Consumer Metrics

Berry Cobb

Why are consumer metrics important?

- In December 2010 the ICANN Board requested advice from the ALAC, GAC, GNSO and ccNSO on establishing the definition, measures, and three year targets for those measures, for competition, consumer trust and consumer choice in the context of the domain name system.
- If adopted by the future Affirmation of Commitments review team the advice will be critical to measuring the success of the new gTLD program

Recent Developments

- GNSO Council formed the Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Working Group (CCTC-WG) to draft a letter of advice from the GNSO Council to the ICANN Board
- The CCTC-WG posted the Draft Advice in the Public Forum for Comment on 23 February 2012
- The WG reviewed 50% of Public Comments for consideration in final version of Advice Letter

Proposed Advice Letter – Definitions

- **Consumer**: Actual and Potential Internet Users, and Registrants.
- **Consumer Trust:** The confidence registrants and users have in the consistency of name resolution and the degree of confidence among registrants and users that a TLD registry operator is fulfilling its proposed purpose and is complying with ICANN policies and applicable national laws.
- **Consumer Choice:** Range of options available to registrants and users for domain scripts and languages, and for TLDs that offer choices as to the proposed purpose and integrity of their domain name registrants.
- **Competition:** Quantity, diversity, and the potential for market rivalry of gTLDs, TLD registry operators, and registrars.

**** Definitions subject to modification based on public comment review**

Draft Advice Letter –Metrics

Consumer Trust

- Percentage of uptime for the registry and registrars
- Surveys to be conducted on consumer trust
- Number of alleged violations of proposed registry agreements
- Number and % of UDRP and URS complaints and decisions
- UDRP and URS violations by new gTLD registry operators
- Law Enforcement/GAC to report instances that raise concerns with new gTLD registries and registrars' compliance with applicable law
- Instances of domain takedowns related to claims of nationals or other claims (UDRP)

**** Metrics subject to modification based on public comment review**

Consumer Choice

- Transparency and clarity of offerings to registrants
- Number of new registrants versus existing registrants
- Choice for registrants to select among registrars and registries that are subject to differing national laws
- % of defensive registrations in new gTLDs, as determined by number of unique websites

Competition

- Evaluate number of gTLDs before and after
- Evaluate number of suppliers before and after new gTLDs
  - Number of registry operators
  - Number of back end registry providers
  - Number of accredited registrars
- Evaluate market share of those suppliers before & after launch of new gTLDs
  - New entrants share of new registrations
  - New entrants among all registrations, including existing registrations

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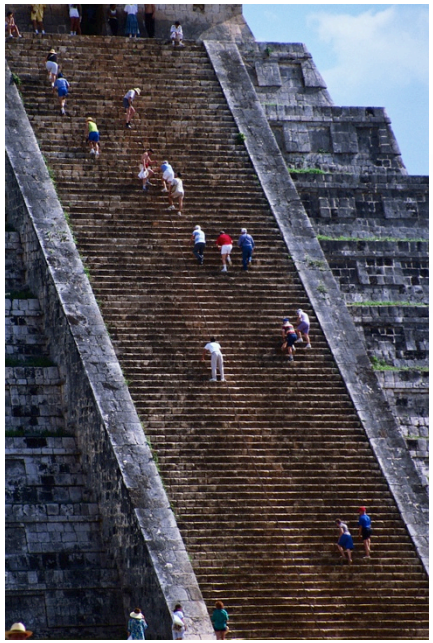
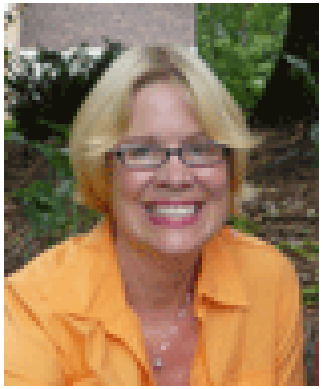


- Complete the Public Comments review for the FINAL version of the Advice Letter
- The CCTC-WG will brief the GNSO Council on Consumer Metrics in Prague
- June 2012: CCTC-WG plans to submit the final Advice Letter to the GNSO Council for consideration

Further Information

- Consumer Metrics Draft Advice Letter for Public Comment: http://www.icann.org/en/public-comment/upcoming-en.htm#cci-wg
- Consumer Metrics Wiki: https://community.icann.org/display/CMG/Home



Cross-Community Working Groups

Julie Hedlund

Why are CWGs important?

- CWGs address issues of common interest to other ICANN supporting organizations (SOs) and advisory committees (ACs).
- Even though CWGs have been used in several cases, concerns have arisen concerning their operations and coordination among their participating SOs and ACs.
- The GNSO Council is seeking principles to bring clarity and predictability for participants in CWGs.

Recent CWGs

- SO-AC New gTLD Applicant Support Working Group
- Geographic Regions Review Working Group
- Internationalized Registration Data Working Group
- DNS Security and Stability Analysis Working Group

Recent Developments

- **October 2011:** The GNSO Council approved a charter and the formation of a Drafting Team to define a way forward for the effective chartering, functioning, and utilization of CWGs.
- **January 2012**: The Drafting Team provided to the Council for consideration Draft Principles for CWGs.
- **March 2012:** The GNSO Council approved the Principles and the Council Chair distributed them to the other ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees for consideration.

Draft Principles for CWGs

The Draft Principles address the following areas:

- Scope:
  - Possible Purposes; and
  - Relationship to Policy Development Processes (PDPs).
- Operations:
  - Formation, execution, and outcomes.

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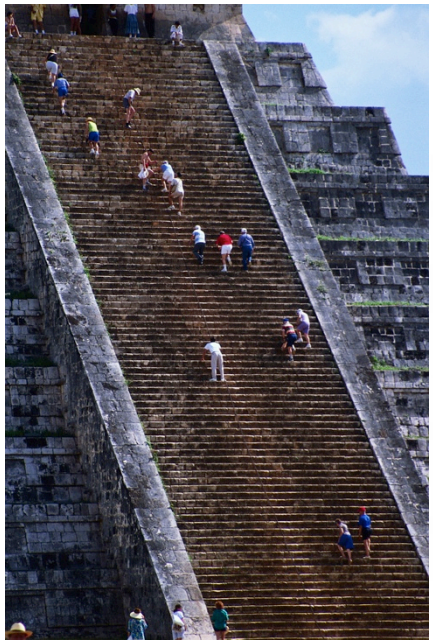
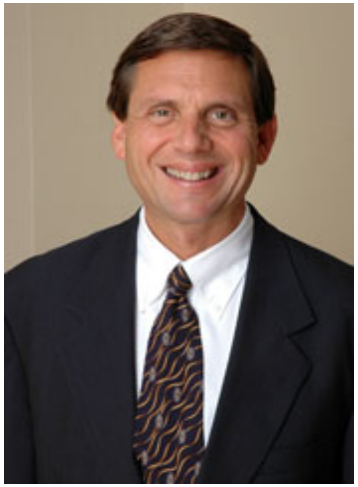


- The Principles may be incorporated in the GNSO's guidelines for establishing Working Groups and in the formation of new CWGs.
- ICANN is holding a public session on the Principles in Prague on **Monday, 15 June 2012 in the Roma Room**. The goal of this session is to raise awareness of the Principles, answer questions, and discuss any issues or concerns.

Further Information

- Draft Principles for Cross-Community Working Groups: http://gnso.icann.org/drafts/draft-principles-for-cwgs-23dec11-en.pdf



Protection of Red Cross and IOC Names

Brian Peck

RC/IOC Names - Update Since Costa Rica

- On 26 March, GNSO Council approved the IOC/RC DT's recommendations to protect the Red Cross/IOC names as reserved names at the top level of new gTLDs in the initial round of new gTLD applications
- On 10 April, ICANN Board's New GTLD Committee declined to adopt the GNSO recommendations to protect the Red Cross/IOC names at the top level of new gTLDs at this time
  - The Board stated that although the substantive "recommendations of the GNSO are well taken," it had concerns about timing.

RC/IOC Names - Update Since Costa Rica

- In 11 March letter, ICANN Board requested the GAC/GNSO to provide policy advice on whether to protect IGO names at the top and second levels of new gTLDs.
  - The GNSO has deferred any action on the Board request to the GNSO and GAC for policy advice on whether to protect IGO names, until the GAC first provides its policy advice to the Board.
- GNSO Council requested an Issue Report on special protections for international organization names and acronyms (including the Red Cross, IOC and IGOs) at the top and second level for all new gTLDs.

RC/IOC Names – Current Status

- The temporary moratorium on the use of Red Cross and IOC names at the top level for new gTLDs will expire after the initial round of applications.
- There are currently no special protections provided for the Red Cross/IOC names at the second level.
- The GAC submitted a proposal in September 2011 to the GNSO Council to provide permanent protection to the RC/IOC names at both the top and second levels.
  - GNSO Council sent a letter to the GAC on 7 June providing an update on its evaluation of GAC policy advice/proposal.

Next Steps

- Preliminary Issue Report published and open for public comment.
  - Staff Recommendation: GNSO Council should consider whether or not to initiate a PDP as an approach to develop any additional policy advice in response to Board requests on the topic of whether to create additional protections to only certain types of international organizations in new gTLDs
- Public comment forum will be ongoing during Prague Meeting.
  - The ICANN community is encouraged as part of the public comment forum to comment on whether the PDP, if initiated, should be focused on additional protections for: (i) only international organizations that are not – for-profit AND are afforded unique protections under international treaties or national laws in multiple jurisdictions, and/or (ii) all international governmental organizations.

Further Information

Preliminary Issue Report – http://gnso.icann.org/issues/intl-org-names-prelim-issue-report-04jun12-en.pdf

Preliminary Issue Report Public Comment Forum – http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/prelim-protection-io-names-04jun12-en.htm

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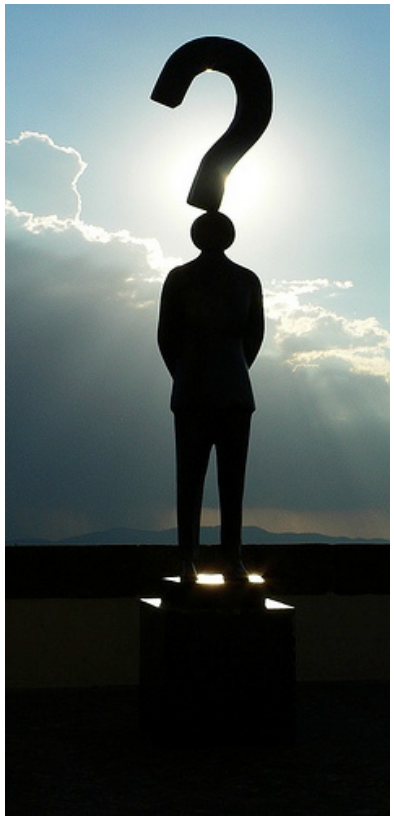
ccNSO Policy Issues

Use of Country Name Study Group

Bart Boswinkel

The ccNSO



Structure

- Membership
- Council

Purpose

- Policy development (very limited)
- Platform to exchange information
- Represent ccNSO members/ccTLD community in ICANN

Activities organized through Working and study Groups

ccNSO Membership

- To date 132 Members.
  - 1 Application: .BH, Bahrain
- New members since Costa Rica meeting:
  - .nr Nauru
  - .cw Curaçao
  - .ps Palestine
  - .sx Sint Maarten (Dutch part)
  - .is Iceland
  - Latest member: .KM Comores

ccNSO Council

- 18 Councilors
  - 3 ccTLD's from all 5 ICANN Regions + 3 NomCom appointed
  - 4 Observers Regional ccTLD Organisations
  - 2 Liaisons (ALAC and GNSO)
- Administrative role
  - Bylaws and Rules of the ccNSO
  - Maintain Work plan of the ccNSO
- Representational Role
  - Joint meetings with GAC, GNSO
  - Board

Use of Country Names Study Group

- Purpose and scope of activities
- Current status
- Background
- Structure Overview of (potential) Policies related to country names:
  - Co-chair Becky Burr, chair to be nominated by the members of WG
- Call for volunteers ccTLD community (members and non-members ccNSO)
- GNSO, GAC and ALAC invited to participate

  - Appoint members or liaison

Purpose and scope of activities

- Provide overview:
  - Current and proposed policies for allocation and delegation of gTLD and (IDN) ccTLD strings associated with territory names
  - Type and categories of strings reflecting the name of territories
  - Examples: .IDNccTLDs, .Angleterre, .Holland, .Norway in Greek,
  - Issues arising of applying the proposed policies to categories of names
- If appropriate, the study group will advise on a course of further actions, if any, to resolve issues identified
  - Example of actions: Launch ccPDP, Reserve territory names under IDN ccPDP and /or new gTLD process, other action)

Current Status

- Overview of (potential) Policies related to country names (completed)
- Develop Typology
  - (completed)
- UNESCO survey to test typology
  - (to be launched)
- Identifying issues
  - (to be continued in Prague)
- Recommendations if any
  - (post Prague)

Background Study Group

- Use of country and territory names as gTLD string debated in ICANN for long time
- Territory names can be (conditionally) registered according to new gTLD Policy
- Exempted from first round of applications by the ICANN Board awaiting input from ccNSO
  - Note: Board decision and reflected in Applicant Guidebook
- Scope IDN ccPDP limited, does not address all types and categories of use of territory names

IDN cc Policy development Process

- IDN ccPDP
  - Overall policy for selection of IDN ccTLD string
    - Confusingly similarity issues arising out of Implementation Plan
    - Placeholder IDN variant management
    - Update of processes taking into account experiences from Fast Track
    - Policy Delegation, redelegation policy ccTLD applicable. NOT part of IDN ccPDP
  - Inclusion of IDN ccTLD in ccNSO:
    - Finalization of Report
    - Contentious issue: Recommendations on voting

Overview Main Activities

- SOP WG
  - Focus: ICANN's Strategic and Operational Planning processes
  - Current status: SOP WG submission on ICANN's Draft FY 2013 Operating Plan and Budget.
    - Submission available at: http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/sop-comments-fy13-ops-plan-budget-08jun12-en.pdf
  - SOP WG is NOT representing the ccNSO or individual ccTLD's

ccNSO Agenda Prague Highlights

Highlights:

- Panel Discussion on ccTLD's and WCIT(Wednesday 27 June 14.00-15.30)
- IDN session (Tuesday 16.00-17.30)
- Security session (Tuesday 14.00- 14.45)

ccNSO Agenda Prague

- Prague ccTLD community meetings Agenda:http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/prague/agenda.htm

- Working groups and Council meetings Schedule: http://ccnso.icann.org/calendar

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ALAC Policy Issues

Heidi Ullrich

Highlights of Policy Issues being Discussed within the ALAC

- The ALAC produced 15 statements in response to Open Public Comments between January and end of May 2012
- Two Statements the ALAC would like to highlight are:
  - ALAC Statement on the ICANN Board Conflicts of Interest Review - Revised Conflicts of Interest Policy and Related Governance Documents
  - ALAC Statement on the WHOIS Policy Review Team Draft Report
- ALAC/At-Large members continue to work with staff/Board on Applicant Support issues
- More Information
  - All ALAC Statements are available on the At-Large Correspondence page at: http://www.atlarge.icann.org/correspondence

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ALAC Process Issues

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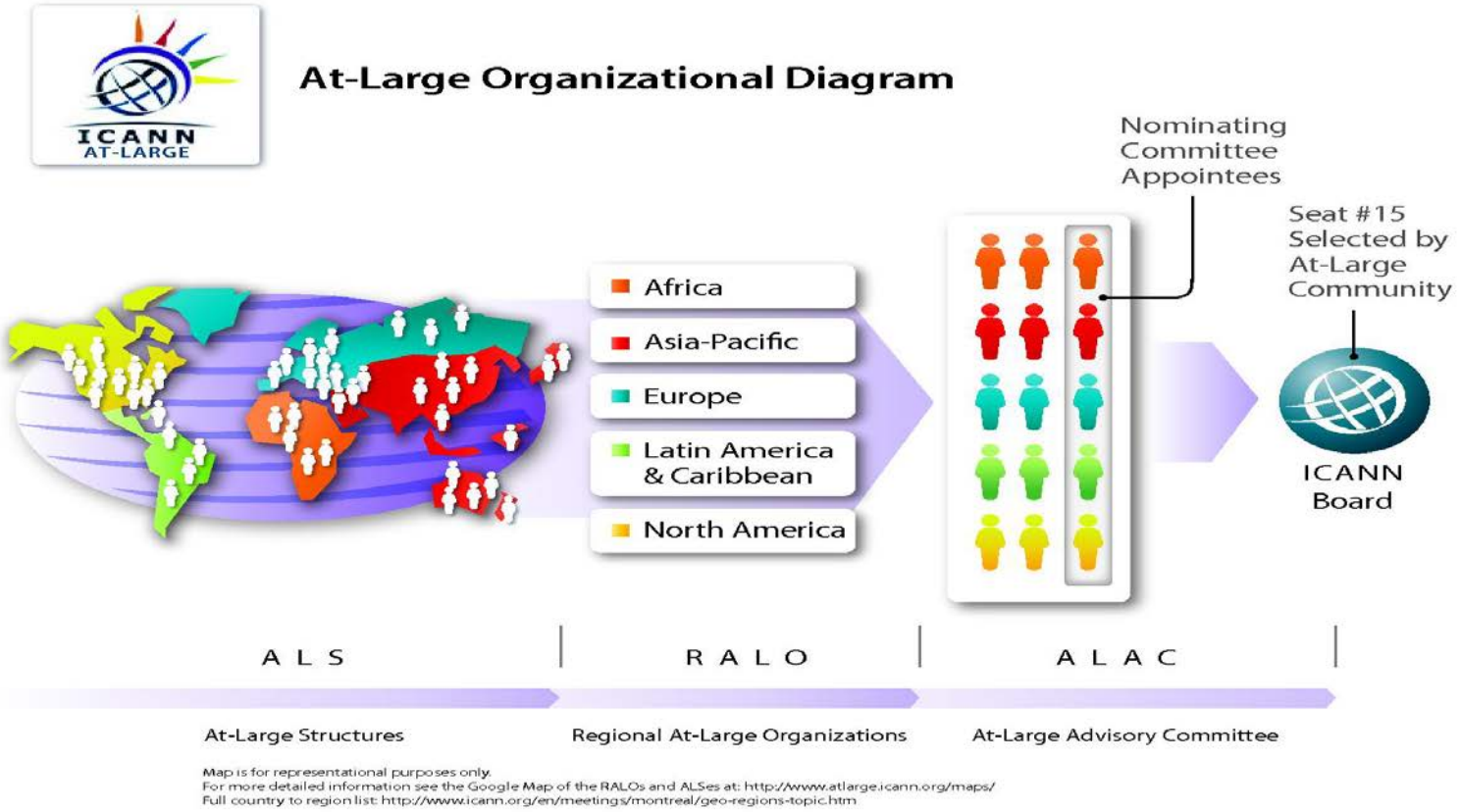
ALAC Anniversary 2002-2012

ALAC Anniversary Event in Prague Monday, 25 June 16:00-19:00



ASO Policy Issues

Olof Nordling

Background: RIRs, NRO and the ASO

- What is an RIR?
  - Regional Internet Registry. There are five RIRs; AfriNIC, APNIC, ARIN, LACNIC and RIPE and they cooperate thru the NRO, the Number Resource Organization.
- What is the ASO?
  - The Address Supporting Organization, set up through an MoU between ICANN and the NRO.
  - One major task of the ASO is to handle Global Policy Proposals.

Background: Global Policies

- What is a “Global Policy”?
  - The RIRs develop many regional addressing policies.
  - Only very few policies affect IANA and only those are called “Global Policies”.
- Global Policy Proposal recently approved:
    - Recovered IPv4 Address Space, ”Post Exhaustion”

Recovered IPv4
“Post Exhaustion”

Global Policy Proposal: Recovered IPv4 ”Post Exhaustion”

- Why is it important?
  - The proposal enables IANA to handle recovered IPv4 address space and allocate smaller blocks than before

Current status:

  - The third proposal on this theme! It has been adopted in all RIRs, reviewed by the NRO EC and ASO AC, sent to the ICANN Board and **ratified on 6 May**.
  - Replaced two previous proposals for Recovered IPv4 that didn’t reach global consensus.

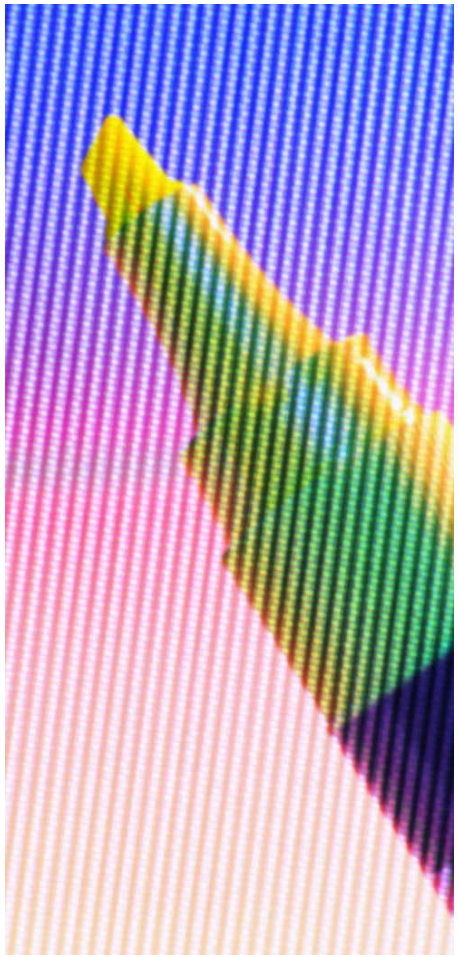
How do I get involved?

- For all addressing policies: participate in the bottom-up policy development in an RIR of your choice.
- All RIRs conduct open meetings where policy proposals are discussed and all have open mailing lists for such matters.
- Get an overview in Prague - at the ASO AC Workshop, Wednesday 27 June, 1-3 PM local time!

Participation and Engagement

Filiz Yilmaz

Highlights



- New Meeting Structure and Program
- Outreach Community Working Session
- Public Comments
- PPC Consultation Session
- Newcomers Activities

New Meeting Structure and Program

ICANN 44 Prague Schedule:
http://prague44.icann.org/full-schedule

Meeting closing on Thursday

More specific sessions on Monday on various issues Based on Community Leaders' feedback

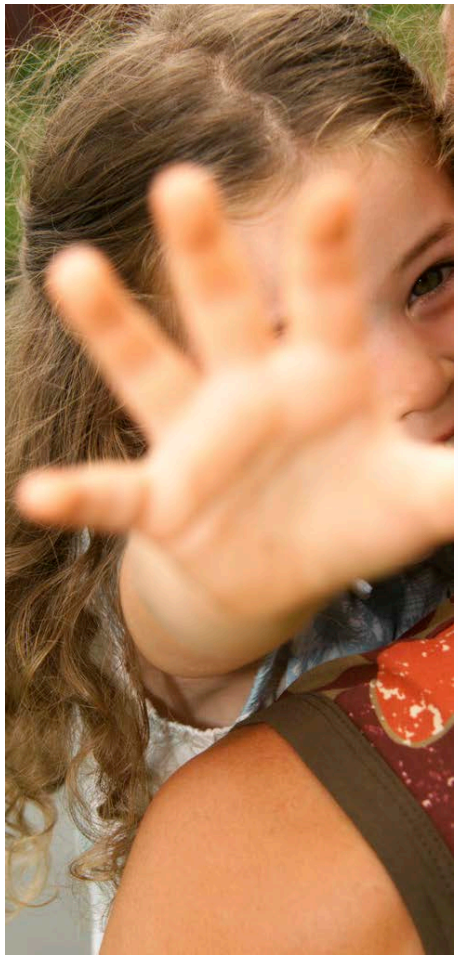
Public Forum on Thursday:

A. Board reporting on the week's issues

B. Open mic on Board report and the agenda points

Agenda points are also set together with Community Leaders

ICANN Outreach Community Working Session



Staff and Community have been talking about outreach

Framework introduced at ICANN 43

Continuing discussion at ICANN 44

Thursday 28 June (08:00 – 09:00)

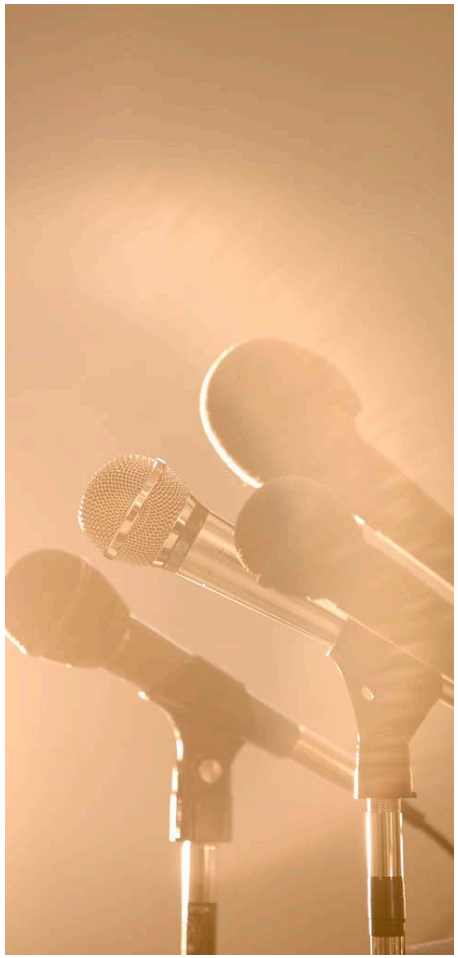
Common themes in outreach

Community building, increasing number of participants & level of engagement

How to work together better

Roles of Staff and Community

Public Comments



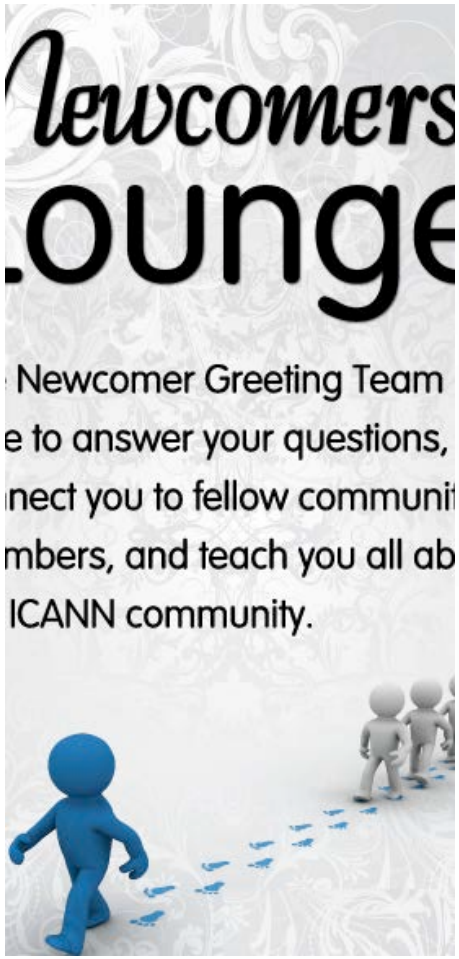
Comment/Reply structure in focus

- Reply does not seem to be used
- Requests for longer Comment periods

PPC & Community Consultation session at ICANN 44

- Thursday 28 June (09:00 – 10:30)
- Language Services will also be on agenda

Newcomers' Activities: Newcomers' Lounge



Newcomer badges for 1st time participants

Lounge in service from Sat-Wed

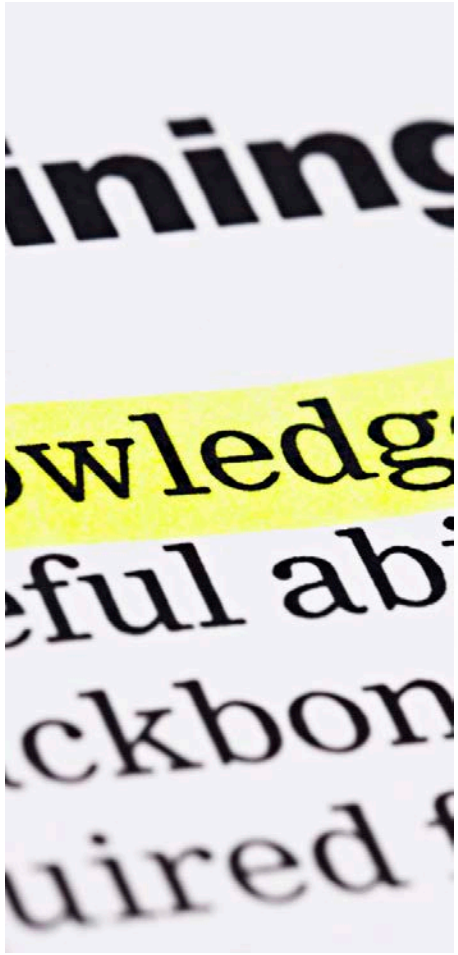
Staffed with Marilyn V + Fellowship Alumni

Providing various information:

- ICANN Factsheets
- ICANN Groups' info sheets/brochures

Social media usage at ICANN 44

Newcomers' Activities: Newcomers' Sunday Tracks



Open to ALL, not only to Newcomers

Sunday 24 June (10:30-17:00)

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ICANN Engagement Tools

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Recent Developments in Domain Name Space

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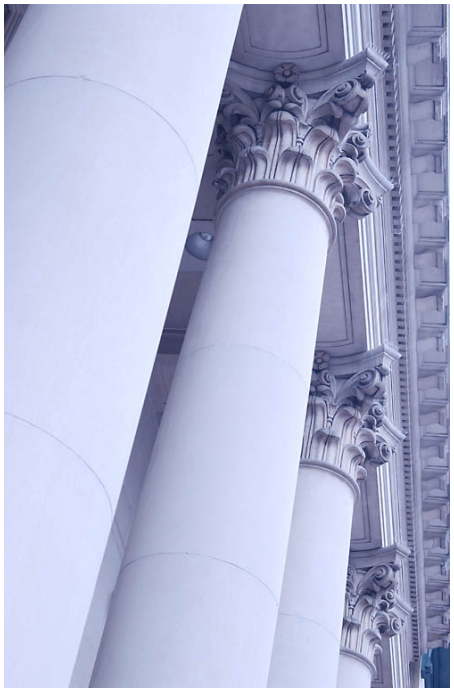

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