

Board Accountability Mechanisms Committee Activities Report

1 January 2018 – 30 June 2018¹

Summary:

Completed Activities:

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 - Reconsideration Request 16-12 (Merck KGaA/.MERCK)
 - Reconsideration Request 18-8 (Afilias Domain No. 3 Limited/.WEB)

- Other Matters:
 - Further consideration of Asia Green IT S System Bilgisayar San. ve Tic. Ltd. Sti. (AGIT) v. ICANN IRP Final Declaration (.HALAL/.ISLAM)
 - Consideration of Amazon IRP Final Declaration (.AMAZON and Japanese and Chinese character equivalents)
 - Further consideration of Gulf Cooperation Council v. ICANN Independent Review Process (IRP) Final Declaration (.PERSIANGULF)
 - Updating the Independent Review Process

¹ This report is intended to capture the activities of the BAMC, from 1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018. However, because the report was prepared in July 2018, the significant activities that occurred in July 2018 are also captured in the report.

Section I: Completed Activities

Item	Description of BAMC Activity	BAMC Completion Date	Accomplishments/Outcome
1. Reconsideration Requests 14-33 (Dot Registry LLC, .LLP)	Following resolution of the .LLC contention set through private auction, Dot Registry Limited withdrew Request 14-33 on 14 February 2018.	14 Feb 2018	Following resolution of the .LLC contention set through private auction, Dot Registry Limited withdrew Request 14-33 on 14 February 2018 (See Email from Shaul Jolles to ICANN org dated 15 February 2018.)
2. Reconsideration Request 17-5 (DotKids Foundation, .KIDS)	Request submitted by DotKids Foundation (.KIDS) seeking reconsideration of ICANN org's decision to take the Requestor's .KIDS community gTLD application off hold before the CPE Process Review is completed. The BAMC concluded that ICANN org did not violate ICANN's Mission, Commitments and Core Values or established ICANN policy(ies) when it took .KID/.KIDS off hold. The BAMC also further recommended that Request 17-5 be denied on the basis of mootness as the CPE Process Review had already been deemed to be completed pursuant to Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 - 2018.03.15.10.	13 May 2018	On 5 April 2018, the BAMC recommended that Reconsideration Request 17-5 be denied. On 13 May 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendation. (See https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2018-05-13-en#2.c.)
3. Reconsideration Request 18-1 (DotMusic Limited, .MUSIC)	Request submitted by DotMusic Limited (DotMusic) seeking reconsideration of ICANN org's response to the 2018 Documentary Information Disclosure Policy (DIDP) Request relating to the Community Priority Evaluation (CPE). The BAMC recommended that Request 18-1 be denied because that ICANN org adhered to established policies and procedures in its response to the DIDP Request, and therefore reconsideration is not warranted. (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-1.)	18 July 2018	On 5 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-1 be denied because that ICANN org adhered to established policies and procedures in its response to the DIDP Request, and therefore reconsideration is not warranted. (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-1.) The Requestor submitted a rebuttal to the BAMC Recommendation. On 18 July 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC Recommendation, finding that neither Request nor Rebuttal provided any argument or evidence to support reconsideration. (See Resolution 2018.07.18.04.)

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4. Reconsideration Request 18-2 (dotgay LLC, .GAY)	Request submitted by dotgay LLC (dotgay) seeking reconsideration of ICANN org's response to dotgay's DIDP Request relating to the CPE Process Review. The BAMC recommended that Request 18-2 be denied because that ICANN org adhered to established policies and procedures in its response to the DIDP Request, and therefore reconsideration is not warranted. (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-2.)	18 July 2018	On 5 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-2 be denied because that ICANN org adhered to established policies and procedures in its response to the DIDP Request, and therefore reconsideration is not warranted. (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-2.) The Requestor submitted a rebuttal to the BAMC Recommendation. On 18 July 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC Recommendation, finding that neither Request nor rebuttal provided any argument or evidence to support reconsideration. (See Resolution 2018.07.18.05.)
5. Reconsideration Request 18-3 (Astutium Ltd.)	Request submitted by Astutium Ltd (Astutium) seeking reconsideration of ICANN org's decision to issue a Notice of Termination of Astutium's 2013 Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) with ICANN org. The Ombudsman issued his substantive evaluation of Request 18-3 on 5 May 2018 pursuant to Article 4, Section 4.2(l) of the Bylaws. The Ombudsman concluded that Astutium has not established a basis for reconsideration and therefore Request 18-3 should be denied. (Ombudsman Evaluation.) On 5 July 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-3 be denied because the Contractual Compliance team: (i) complied with established policy(ies) when it issued the Termination Notice; (ii) did not rely on faulty data or misunderstandings when it issued the Termination Notice; and (iii)	18 July 2018	On 5 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-3 be denied because the Contractual Compliance team: (i) complied with established policy(ies) when it issued the Termination Notice; (ii) did not rely on faulty data or misunderstandings when it issued the Termination Notice; and (iii) did not publish any defamatory statements about Astutium on ICANN org's website. (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-3.) On 20 June 2018, Astutium submitted a rebuttal to the BAMC recommendation. On 18 July 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC Recommendation, finding that neither Request nor rebuttal provided any argument or evidence to support reconsideration. (See Resolution 2018.07.18.06.)

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	did not publish any defamatory statements about Astutium on ICANN org's website. (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-3.)		
6. Reconsideration Request 18-4 (dotgay LLC, .GAY)	Request submitted by dotgay LLC (dotgay) seeking reconsideration of ICANN Board Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 – 2018.03.15.11, which accepted CPE Process Review Reports. On 14 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-4 because the Board considered all material information when it adopted Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11, which is consistent with ICANN’s Mission, Commitments, Core Values, and established ICANN policy(ies). (See BAMC Recommendation on 18-4.)	18 July 2018	On 14 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-4 because the Board considered all material information when it adopted Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11, which is consistent with ICANN’s Mission, Commitments, Core Values, and established ICANN policy(ies). (See BAMC Recommendation on 18-4.) On 29 June 2018, dotgay submitted a rebuttal to the BAMC’s Recommendation. On 18 July 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC Recommendation, finding that neither Request nor rebuttal provided any argument or evidence to support reconsideration. (See Resolution 2018.07.18.07.)
7. Reconsideration Request 18-5 (DotMusic Limited, .MUSIC)	Request submitted by DotMusic Limited (DML) seeking reconsideration of ICANN Board Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 – 2018.03.15.11 which accepted the CPE Process Review Reports. On 14 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-5 because the Board considered all material information when it adopted Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11, which is consistent with ICANN’s Mission, Commitments, Core Values, and established ICANN policy(ies). (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-5.)	18 July 2018	On 14 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-5 because the Board considered all material information when it adopted Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11, which is consistent with ICANN’s Mission, Commitments, Core Values, and established ICANN policy(ies). (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-5.) On 29 June 2018, DML submitted a rebuttal to the BAMC’s Recommendation. On 18 July 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC Recommendation, finding that neither Request nor rebuttal provided any argument or evidence to support reconsideration. (See

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			Resolution 2018.07.18.08.)
8. Reconsideration Request 18-6 (Travel Reservations SRL, Spring McCook, LLC, Minds + Machines Group Limited, Famous Four Media Limited, dot Hotel Limited, Radix FZC, dot Hotel Inc., Fegistry, LLC, .HOTEL)	Request submitted by Travel Reservations SRL, Spring McCook, LLC, Minds + Machines Group Limited, Famous Four Media Limited, dot Hotel Limited, Radix FZC, dot Hotel Inc., Fegistry, LLC (collectively Requestors) seeking reconsideration of ICANN Board Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 – 2018.03.15.11, which accepted CPE Process Review Reports. On 14 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-6 because the Board considered all material information when it adopted Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11, which is consistent with ICANN’s Mission, Commitments, Core Values, and established ICANN policy(ies). (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-6.)	18 July 2018	On 14 June 2018, the BAMC recommended that Request 18-6 because the Board considered all material information when it adopted Resolutions 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11, which is consistent with ICANN’s Mission, Commitments, Core Values, and established ICANN policy(ies). (See BAMC Recommendation on Request 18-6.) On 29 June 2018, the Requestors submitted to a rebuttal to the BAMC’s Recommendation. On 18 July 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC Recommendation, finding that neither Request nor rebuttal provided any argument or evidence to support reconsideration. (See Resolution 2018.07.18.09.)
9. Reconsideration Request 18-7 (Afilias Domains No. 3 Limited)	Request submitted by Afilias Domains No. 3 Limited (Afilias), seeking reconsideration of ICANN org's response to the Afilias' DIDP request relating to the .WEB contention set. The BAMC determined that Request 18-7 is not sufficiently stated because the Request does not demonstrate that Afilias is materially or adversely affected by an action or inaction of ICANN org. The BAMC concluded that Afilias did not demonstrate that it had been materially or adversely affected by the DIDP Response. Accordingly, the BAMC summarily dismissed Request 18-7 pursuant to Article 4, Section	5 June 2018	On 5 June 2018, the BAMC summarily dismissed Request 18-7 pursuant to Article 4, Section 4.2(k) of the Bylaws because that Afilias has not sufficiently stated a Reconsideration Request in that it failed to demonstrate that it has been materially or adversely affected by the DIDP Response.

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	4.2(k) of the Bylaws. (See BAMC Determination on Request 18-7.)		
10. Community Priority Evaluation Process Review	On 13 December 2017, FTI Consulting issued the CPE Process Review Reports (the Reports). On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC recommended that the Board acknowledge and accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.)	15 March 2018	On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC recommended that the Board acknowledge and accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.) On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendations. (See 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11.)

Section II: In-Progress Activities

Item	Description of BAMC Activity	Target Completion Date	Status
1. Reconsideration Request 14-42 (Ministry of Industry, Trade, Investment and Digital Economy of the Kingdom of Morocco, .TATA)	Request submitted by Moroccan government on TATA Son's application for .TATA seeking reconsideration of the GEO Names Panel's finding met all the relevant criteria in section 2.2.1.4.3 of the AGB. Following additional evidence submitted by the Moroccan government, TATA Son's application was sent back to the Geo Names Panel for re-evaluation. Request 14-42 was placed on hold pending re-evaluation. The applicant's significantly extended and final deadline to provide documentation demonstrating sufficient support of the region expired on 30 November 2016. The applicant requested a further extension to 31 March 2017, which was denied and the application status was changed to "Will Not Proceed".	TBD	TBD
2. Reconsideration Request 16-3 (dotgay LLC, .GAY)	Request submitted by dotgay LLC seeking reconsideration of the Board Governance Committee's denial of the Requestor's previous reconsideration request, Request 15-21, which challenged the second CPE panel's report finding that the Requestor did not prevail in CPE for the .GAY gTLD. While Request 16-3 was pending, the Board directed ICANN org to undertake the CPE Process Review. The BGC determined that the pending Reconsideration Requests regarding the CPE process, including Request 16-3, would be placed on hold until the CPE Process Review was completed. On 13 December 2017, FTI Consulting issued the CPE Process Review Reports. On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC	TBD	Following the completion of the CPE Process Review, Request 16-3 is pending consideration by the BAMC.

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	<p>recommended that the Board acknowledge and accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.) On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendations. (See 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11.) The BAMC invited the Requestor to conduct an oral presentation to the BAMC, but the Requestor denied the invitation. Request 16-3 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>		
<p>3.Reconsideration Request 16-5 (DotMusic Limited, .MUSIC)</p>	<p>Request submitted by dotMusic Limited (Requestor) seeking reconsideration of the CPE panel's report finding that the Requestor's application for the .MUSIC gTLD did not prevail in CPE and ICANN's acceptance of the CPE report. While Request 16-5 was pending, the Board directed ICANN org to undertake the CPE Process Review. The BGC determined that the pending Reconsideration Requests regarding the CPE process, including Request 16-5, would be placed on hold until the CPE Process Review was completed. On 13 December 2017, FTI Consulting issued the CPE Process Review Reports. On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC recommended that the Board acknowledge and</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Following the completion of the CPE Process Review, Request 16-5 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>

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	<p>accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.) On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendations. (See 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11.) The BAMC invited the Requestor to conduct an oral presentation to the BAMC, but the Requestor denied the invitation. Request 16-5 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>		
<p>4. Reconsideration Request 16-8 (CPA Australia, .CPA)</p>	<p>Request submitted by CPA Australia (Requestor) seeking reconsideration of the CPE panel's report finding that the Requestor's application for the .CPA gTLD did not prevail in CPE, and ICANN's acceptance of the CPE Report. While Request 16-8 was pending, the Board directed ICANN org to undertake the CPE Process Review. The BGC determined that the pending Reconsideration Requests regarding the CPE process, including Request 16-8, would be placed on hold until the CPE Process Review was completed. On 13 December 2017, FTI Consulting issued the CPE Process Review Reports. On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC recommended that the Board acknowledge and accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Following the completion of the CPE Process Review, Request 16-8 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>

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	<p>will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.) On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendations. (See 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11.) The BAMC has invited the Requestor to conduct an oral presentation to the BAMC, but the Requestor did not accept the invitation. Request 16-8 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>		
<p>5. Reconsideration Request 16-11 (Travel Reservations SRL, Spring McCook, LLC, Minds + Machines Group Limited, Famous Four Media Limited, dot Hotel Limited, Radix FZC, dot Hotel Inc., Fegistry, LLC, .HOTEL)</p>	<p>Request submitted by Travel Reservations SRL, Spring McCook, LLC, Minds + Machines Group Limited, Famous Four Media Limited, dot Hotel Limited, Radix FZC, dot Hotel Inc., and Fegistry, LLC (collectively Requestors) seeking reconsideration of Board Resolutions 2016.08.09.14 – 2016.08.0-9.15 determining that cancellation of Hotel Top-Level Domain S.a.r.l's (HTLD's) application for .HOTEL was not warranted, and directing that HTLD's application for .HOTEL move forward. The Requestors also request a meaningful review of the HTLD's .HOTEL CPE to ensure consistency. While Request 16-11 was pending, the Board directed ICANN org to undertake the CPE Process Review. The BGC determined that the pending Reconsideration Requests regarding the CPE process, including Request 16-11, would be placed on hold until the CPE Process Review was</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Following the completion of the CPE Process Review, on 19 June 2018, the Requestors presented to the BAMC. Request 16-11 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>

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	<p>completed. On 13 December 2017, FTI Consulting issued the CPE Process Review Reports. On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC recommended that the Board acknowledge and accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.) On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendations. (See 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11.) The BAMC invited the Requestor to conduct an oral presentation to the BAMC, which the Requestors accepted. The Requestors presented to the BAMC on 19 June 2018. Request 16-11 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>		
<p>6. Reconsideration Request 16-12 (Merck KGaA, .MERCK)</p>	<p>Request submitted by Merck KGaA seeking reconsideration of the CPE panel's report finding that Merck did not prevail in CPE for the .MERCK string (CPE Report), and ICANN's acceptance of the CPE Report. While Request 16-12 was pending, the Board directed ICANN org to undertake the CPE Process Review. The BGC determined that the pending Reconsideration Requests regarding the CPE process, including Request 16-12, would be placed on hold until the</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Following the completion of the CPE Process Review, the BAMC invited the Requestor to conduct an oral presentation to the BAMC, which the Requestors accepted. ICANN org is working with the Requestors to coordinate the presentation. Request 16-12 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>

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	<p>CPE Process Review was completed. On 13 December 2017, FTI Consulting issued the CPE Process Review Reports. On 17 January 2018, after consideration of the Reports and the correspondence that were submitted in response to the Report, the BAMC recommended that the Board acknowledge and accept the findings in the three reports; that as a result of the findings, there will be no overhaul or change to the CPE process in the current New gTLD round; that the CPE Process Review has been completed; and that the BAMC should move forward with consideration of the remaining reconsideration requests relating to the CPE process that were placed on hold pending completion of the CPE Process Review and to take FTI's findings into consideration as part of the BAMC's review. (See BAMC Minutes.) On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendations. (See 2018.03.15.08 through 2018.03.15.11.) The BAMC invited the Requestor to conduct an oral presentation to the BAMC, which the Requestors accepted. ICANN org is working with the Requestors to coordinate the presentation. Request 16-12 is pending consideration by the BAMC.</p>		
7. Reconsideration Request 18-8 (Afilias Domains No. 3 Ltd., .WEB)	<p>Request submitted by Afilias Domains No. 3 Ltd. (Requestor), seeking reconsideration of ICANN org's response to the Requestor's request, DIDP request for documents relating to the .WEB contention set. Specifically, the Requestor claims that, in declining to produce certain requested documents, ICANN org violated its Commitments established in the Bylaws concerning accountability, transparency, and openness. On 13 July 2018, the BAMC determined that Request</p>	Board 135-day deadline: 4 Nov 2018	Request 18-8 is pending BAMC consideration.

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	18-8 s sufficiently stated pursuant to Article 4, Section 4.2(k) of the ICANN Bylaws. On 20 July 2018, the Ombudsman recused himself from consideration of Request 18-8. Request 18-8 is pending BAMC consideration.		
8. Further consideration of Asia Green IT System Bilgisayar San. ve Tic. Ltd. Sti. (AGIT) v. ICANN IRP Final Declaration (.HALAL/.ISLAM)	On 9 March 2018, the BAMC discussed AGIT IRP Final Declaration and approved a recommendation to the Board to declare AGIT to be the prevailing party, direct ICANN org to reimburse AGIT in the amount specified in the IRP Final Declaration; and to direct the BAMC to re-evaluate the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) non-consensus advice as well as the subsequent communications from or with objecting and supporting parties, in light of the Final Declaration, and provide a recommendation to the Board as to whether or not the applications for .HALAL and .ISLAM should proceed. (BAMC Minutes)	TBD	On 15 March 2018, the Board adopted the BAMC's recommendation. (See Resolutions 2018.03.15.15-2018.03.15.17.)
9. Further Consideration of the Amazon Sa.r.l. v. ICANN IRP Final Declaration	On 29 October 2017, the Board adopted BAMC's recommendation that the Board ask the GAC if it has: (i) any information to provide to the Board as it relates to the "merits-based public policy reasons," regarding the GAC's advice that the Amazon applications should not proceed; or (ii) any other new or additional information to provide to the Board regarding the GAC's advice that the Amazon applications should not proceed. (Resolutions 2017.10.29.02 - 2017.10.29.03). At its 30 November 2017 meeting, the BAMC discussed the GAC advice from Abu Dhabi re the application for .Amazon and related strings, which	TBD	In the San Juan Communiqué, issued on 15 March 2018, the GAC stated that "[it] received an update from several of its members regarding the proposal submitted by Amazon.com at ICANN 60. The GAC understands that member governments of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO) have established a process for analyzing the proposal, and that this analysis is progressing. The GAC was informed that Amazon.com and Board members have made themselves available to assist if requested. The GAC considered Board Resolutions

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	<p>advised that the ICANN Board "continue facilitating negotiations the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization's (ACTO) member states and the Amazon corporation with a view to reaching a mutually acceptable solution to allow for the use of .amazon as a top-level domain name." The Committee discussed the status of the ongoing facilitation efforts.</p>		<p>2017.10.29.02 and 2017.10.29.03. The GAC decided, in a spirit of good cooperation, to reply to the Board's request for any additional information the GAC wishes to provide regarding the .amazon case. The GAC's letter to the Board is attached to this Communique."</p> <p>The GAC's letter to the Board states:</p> <p>"At this time the GAC does not have any additional information to provide to the Board on this matter, beyond referring to the GAC Abu Dhabi Communiqué, in particular, to the Advice to the Board contained therein i.e. to "continue facilitating negotiations between the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization's (ACTO) member states and the Amazon corporation with a view to reaching a mutually acceptable solution to allow for the use of .amazon as a top level domain name"), the expressed "...need to find a mutually acceptable solution in the case of the .amazon gTLD applications for the countries affected and for the Amazon corporation", as well as to the call drawing the attention of "...all parties to the final transcript of the relevant sessions where these issues were discussed, these will be available at https://icann60abudhabi2017.sched.com/event/CbHz/gac-meeting-with-amazoncom."</p> <p>On 30 May 2018, the Board adopted the scorecard titled "GAC-Advice – San Juan Communiqué: Actions and Updates (30 May 2018)" in Resolution, wherein the Board acknowledged the GAC's letter. The</p>

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			Scorecard further states “The Board stands ready to move this issue forward at the conclusion of these discussions in accordance with the related Board resolution. Meanwhile, the Board will assess the progress made in the discussions and will consider how to move this process forward.”
10. Further consideration of Gulf Corporation Council (GCC) v. ICANN IRP Final Declaration (.PERSIANGULF)	On 9 March 2018, the BAMC discussed GCC IRP Final Declaration and approved a recommendation to the Board to declare GCC to be the prevailing party in the IRP, and to direct ICANN org to reimburse GCC for \$107,924.16 upon demonstration by GCC that these incurred costs have been paid. The BAMC also recommended that the Board direct the BAMC: (i) to follow the steps required as if the GAC provided non-consensus advice to the Board pursuant to Module 3.1 (subparagraph II) of the Applicant Guidebook regarding .PERSIANGULF; (ii) to review and consider the relevant materials related to the .PERSIANGULF matter; and (iii) to provide a recommendation to the Board as to whether or not the application for .PERSIANGULF should proceed. (See BAMC Minutes).]	TBD	On 15 March 2018, the Board directed the BAMC: (i) to follow the steps required as if the GAC provided non-consensus advice to the Board pursuant to Module 3.1 (subparagraph II) of the Applicant Guidebook regarding .PERSIANGULF; (ii) to review and consider the relevant materials related to the .PERSIANGULF matter; and (iii) to provide a recommendation to the Board as to whether or not the application for .PERSIANGULF should proceed. (See Resolutions 2018.03.15.12 – 2018.03.15.14.)
11. Updating the Independent Review Process	The BAMC discussed the ongoing work by the IRP Implementation Oversight Team (IOT) to develop the Supplementary Procedures for the IRP and the status of the establishment of the standing panel.	TBD	With respect to the supplementary procedures, the IRP IOT has agreed to seek further public comment on portions of the updated IRP Supplementary Procedures originally published for public comment last year. Given the length of the public comment process and the need to have some procedures in place quickly that align with the new Bylaws, the IOT is considering the

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			<p>release of an interim set of Supplementary Procedures that will be in effect until the remaining public comments are taken into account and a final the final set Supplementary Procedures are recommended and then adopted by the Board.</p> <p>With respect to the work on the establishment of the standing panel, efforts have been made by ICANN org to facilitate cross-community discussions regarding the process involved for the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees to reach agreement on a nominated slate of standing panel members.</p>