Description and Scope:

Issues emerged during the development of the New gTLD Program regarding whether certain international (non-) governmental organizations (IGOs/INGOs) such as the Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement (RCRC) and International Olympic Committee (IOC) should receive special protection for their names in top- and second-level domains in new gTLDs.

In October 2012, the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) initiated a Policy Development Process (PDP) to make recommendations on these issues and the ICANN Board adopted the **IGO-INGO Final Report** on 30 April 2014. Included in the board resolution was a request for additional time to consider Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) advice on IGO/INGO issues.

Subsequently, the PDP Working Group was reconvened to produce an additional recommendation regarding Red Cross/Red Crescent Identifiers Protections. The ICANN Board approved these recommendations for implementation on 27 January 2019 and this implementation work was added to the work scope.

See the latest update of current PDP efforts in the GNSO Policy Briefing [here](#).

**INGO Claims System Specification**

For the INGOs, the Policy is effective for all gTLD Registry Operators and ICANN-accredited Registrars 12-months after the release of the **INGO Claims System Specification**.

The INGO Claims System Specification development work was put on hold to consider:

- Potential demands for other claims services related to this Policy (e.g., IGO Acronyms).
- GDPR impact for the ECOSOC list contact information.

**Implementation of Consensus Policy for the Protection of Red Cross & Red Crescent Identifiers**

For those Red Cross & Red Crescent names approved by the Board on 27 January 2019 (i.e. Section 4 titled "Red Cross: The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and its components" of the reserved names for new gTLDs list), the reserved name was updated and the Policy went into effect for all gTLD Registry Operators and ICANN-accredited Registrars on 1 August 2020.

To view the revised policy, click [here](#).
Protection of Certain Specific IGO and INGO Identifiers for All gTLDs ("Reserved Names")

This covers Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) policy recommendations adopted by the ICANN Board on 30 April 2014 and 27 January 2019 concerning protection for certain names pertaining to the Red Cross, International Olympic Committee (IOC), International Governmental Organizations (IGOs), and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) which are not inconsistent with advice from the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) to the ICANN Board. For those Red Cross, IOC, and IGO names approved by the Board, the Policy went into effect for all gTLD Registry Operators and ICANN-accredited Registrars on 1 August 2018.

Please note that the release of the final IGO acronyms and 6 Red Cross Acronyms are still under Board consideration and continue to be reserved without exception.

Composition

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Tools: Mailing List / Meeting Schedule / Wiki

Implementation Status

- Start Date: 22 September 2015
- End Date: TBD

Resources

- Wiki
- WG Email Archive
- Final Issues Report
- GNSO Adoption of the Final Report
- GNSO Council Report to the ICANN Board
- ICANN Board Letter to the GAC

Member Participation and Composition

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