

Staff Report of Public Comment Proceeding

Proposal for Lao Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules (LGR)

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Section I: General Overview and Next Steps

The Lao script community formed the Lao script Generation Panel (GP), which in turn has developed a *Proposal for the Lao Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules* ([Proposal](#) and [Proposal Documentation](#)). As per the [LGR Procedure](#), this proposal was posted for public comments to allow those who have not participated in the Lao script GP to make their views known to the GP. Lao GP will now submit the final proposal with any changes to reflect the public comments, for evaluation by the Integration Panel (IP). If evaluation by the IP is successful, the Proposal for the Lao Root Zone Label Generation Rules will be integrated into the Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone. Otherwise, the proposal will be sent to the GP with comments for further consideration and revision.

Section II: Contributors

At the time this report was prepared, a total of three (3) community submissions had been posted to the forum. The contributors, both individuals and organizations/groups, are listed below in chronological order by posting date with initials noted. To the extent that quotations are used in the foregoing narrative (Section III), such citations will reference the contributor's initials.

Organizations and Groups:

Name	Submitted by	Initials
Khmer Generation Panel	Rapid Sun	KhmerGP
Thai Generation Panel	Pitinan Kooarmornpatana	ThaiGP

Individuals:

Name	Affiliation (if provided)	Initials
Ayden Férdeline (To be considered NCSG statement, once ratified by NCSG Policy Committee)	Non-Commercial Stakeholders Group (NCSG)	AF

Section III: Summary of Comments

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General Disclaimer: This section intends to summarize broadly and comprehensively the comments submitted to this public comment proceeding but does not address every specific position stated by each contributor. The preparer recommends that readers interested in specific aspects of any of the summarized comments, or the full context of others, refer directly to the specific contributions at the link referenced above (View Comments Submitted).

KhmerGP agrees with the cross-script analysis by the Lao GP which says that there are no Khmer-Lao cross-script variants, following discussions between the two GPs.

ThaiGP agrees with the analysis presented in the Lao LGR proposal as well. The Thai GP notes that their discussion on Thai repetition mark U+0E46 (MAIYAMOK) has not yet concluded within the Thai GP. Thus, at this time they have not included the mark, until the Thai community develops a consensus on how to proceed. This is different from the decision to include this mark by Lao GP. Thai GP supports the inclusion of the repetition mark in Lao LGR by the Lao GP, and will note the way it will be used in Lao, as an input to the Thai GP.

AF supports the LGR proposal by the Lao GP, appreciating the diversity of the members of the Generation Panel. AF also notes that the Lao LGR proposal contributes to a more geographically, linguistically and culturally diverse system, which is relevant and important for ICANN's activities. He thanks the GP for their contribution.

Section IV: Analysis of Comments

General Disclaimer: This section intends to provide an analysis and evaluation of the comments submitted along with explanations regarding the basis for any recommendations provided within the analysis.

These comments are being submitted to the Lao Generation Panel for their consideration and incorporation (as needed) in the final version of the proposal.