

# Report of Public Comments

Title:		<b>.NGO/.ONG Registry Agreement Amendment - Mandatory Technical Bundling of Second-Level Domains</b>	
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<b>Section I: General Overview and Next Steps</b>			
<p>On 12 March 2014, Public Interest Registry (PIR) submitted a Registry Services Evaluation Policy (RSEP) request to offer support for mandatory technical bundling of second level domain names for .NGO and .ONG. Upon review of the request, ICANN made a preliminary determination that the proposed Registry Service might raise significant Stability or Security issues (as defined in Sections 1.3 and 1.4 of the RSEP), and referred the proposal to the Registry Services Technical Evaluation Panel (RSTEP) (as defined in Section 1.5 of the RSEP), and simultaneously the RSEP request was posted for community input, in which no comments were received. The RSTEP prepared a written report regarding the proposed Registry Service's effect on Security or Stability. On 29 July 2014, the RSTEP report was posted for public comment to seek community input on the report, in which no comments were received. Following the public comment period for the RSTEP report, the report (along with a summary of any public comments) was forwarded to the ICANN Board for consideration.</p> <p>On 9 September 2014, the ICANN Board adopted the findings in the RSTEP report that PIR's proposal does not create "a reasonable risk of a meaningful adverse effect on stability or security", and approved PIR's request related to the introduction of the registry service to support the mandatory technical bundling of second level domain names for .NGO and .ONG. Furthermore, the ICANN Board authorized the President and CEO, or his designee(s), to develop an amendment to implement the new registry service that takes into account and appropriately addresses the related outstanding technical and implementation questions.</p> <p>Accordingly, ICANN consulted with PIR on the proposed amendment language that was posted for public comment on 6 November 2014. The draft amendment included language requiring that the operations of the top-level domain in the TLD Bundle must be identical, and that all services, actions, changes, decisions, requirements, and etc. that are implemented that impact any one top-level domain in the TLD Bundle must also be applied to all other top-level domains in the TLD Bundle. To further address the outstanding technical and implementation questions outlined at <a href="https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2014-09-09-en#3.a">https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2014-09-09-en#3.a</a>, the amendment language covers specific services, actions, changes, decisions, and requirements in more detail.</p> <p>The time period for public comments closed on 6 December 2014, and no comments were received.</p>			

<b>Section II: Contributors</b>
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No public comments were received.
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<b>Section III: Summary of Comments</b>
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<b>Section IV: Analysis of Comments</b>
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