
Public Comment Summary Report

ICANN Bylaws Amendments: ccNSO-Proposed Changes to Article 10 and Annex B

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Outcome:

All submissions were supportive and did not raise any concern of the proposed amendment of the Article 10 and Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws. Taking into account the extensive consultations the ccNSO has undertaken and the supportive submissions, no additional refinements of the proposed changes are recommended.

Section 1: What We Received Input On

The purpose of this Public Comment proceeding was to obtain community input on proposed changes to ICANN Bylaws Article 10 and Annex B requested by the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) prior to further consideration by the ICANN Board. The proposed changes support the improvements arising out of the second Organizational Review of the ccNSO (ccNSO2 Review), specifically the need to allow Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) country code top-level domain (ccTLD) managers to become members of the ccNSO if they choose to do so.

The proposed changes are the result of extensive consultations with the members of the ccNSO. The proposed changes address issues of definition of membership and voting rights

when there are multiple ccTLD manages from the same country or territory and are important to the continued effectiveness of ccNSO processes.

The ICANN Board, taking on the ccNSO request, agreed to initiate the Standard Bylaws Amendment Process established in Article 25, Section 25.1 of the ICANN Bylaws. As required by Section 25.1, prior to approval of a Standard Bylaw Amendment by the ICANN Board, a draft of the Standard Bylaw Amendment is required to be published for Public Comment.

Section 2: Submissions

Organizations and Groups:		
Name	Submitted by	Initials
Business Constituency	Business Constituency	BC
Registries Stakeholder Group	Registries Stakeholder Group	RySG
At-Large Advisory Committee	ICANN Policy Development Support Team	ALAC

Individuals:		
Name	Affiliation (if provided)	Initials
N/A		

Section 3: Summary of Submissions

BC and RySG, all supported the proposed changes to Article 10 and Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws.

ALAC noted that the proposed changes to the Bylaws would address the situation where a voting imbalance would be created where there is more than one ccTLD member in a country/territory. The proposal appears to be a democratic way of resolving the issue.

Section 4: Analysis of Submissions

All submissions are supportive of the proposed amendment of the Article 10 and Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws nor did any of the submitters raise a concern with respect to the proposed changes. Taking into account the extensive consultations the ccNSO has undertaken and the feed-back received no additional refinements of the proposed changes are recommended.

Section 5: Next Steps

The full text of the comments received, along with this summary, will be transmitted to the ICANN Board for its consideration.