**ATRT2 Templates**

**A. Analysis of previous review teams recommendations**

**ATRT 1, Recommendation #7.2**: Commencing immediately, the Board should publish “a thorough and reasoned explanation of decisions taken, the rationale thereof and the sources of data and information on which ICANN relied.” ICANN should also articulate that rationale for accepting or rejecting input received from public comments and the ICANN community, including Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees.

* Summary of ICANN’s assessment of implementation including actions taken, implementability and effectiveness

ICANN reports that it has implemented fully Recommendation 7.2.

ICANN also notes that the development of rationales has, at times, increased the time needed for Board consideration of items. For major Board decisions, there have been significant costs incurred in both money and resources to develop the rationales.

With respect to effectiveness, ICANN notes that people have more information as to the bases for Board decisions. Sometimes the complexity of the resolutions has decreased because background information can now be provided through the rationale.

* Summary of community input on implementation, including effectiveness

ATRT2 received little comment on the Board’s explanation of decisions and stated rationale. RySG commented that the Board still ignores comments in its decision-making.

* Summary of other relevant information

NTIA staff provided an analysis of Board resolutions during the period of 2011-2013. NTIA’s analysis addressed 3 questions:

1. Does the Board provide a clear explanation of its decision? Are there substantive actions to be taken to further improve the ICANN process?
2. Does the Board provide a clear and reasonable rationale for its decision?
3. Does the Board provide an explanation of how it took into consideration public comments (if any)?

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NTIA staff analysis showed clear evidence that Board decisions satisfy the 3 questions posed to a large degree.

* ATRT2 analysis of recommendation implementation (e.g. complete, incomplete or ongoing)

Implementation of Recommendation 7.2 appears successful. The NTIA analysis reflects an improving trend over the three-year period and, while there remain examples that demonstrate room for improvement, implementation of Recommendation 7.2 indicates significant qualitative improvement since 2011.

* ATRT2 assessment of recommendation effectiveness [Includes rationale for the recommendation.]

The baseline for this Recommendation is that prior to January 2011, the Board had not regularly adopted formal rationale statements for its decisions. Both the analysis and public comment reflect significant improvement in this area.