

## NCSG comments on the

### **“Proposed Fundamentals Bylaws Changes to Move the Board Governance Committee’s Reconsideration Process Responsibilities to Another Board Committee”**

Link to report:

<https://www.icann.org/public-comments/bylaws-bgc-2017-03-31-en>

The Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG) welcomes the opportunity to comment on this change proposed by the ICANN Board.

The NCSG supports the spirit of the proposal to form a dedicated Board committee for accountability measures - the Board Accountability Mechanisms Committee (BAMC) - which will address the growing number of Reconsideration Requests and other accountability related mechanisms.

While this may seem, at first glance, a burdensome process for the creation of a new Board committee, it is important to recognize that this change is part and parcel of the new accountability measures and any associated changes should follow the appropriate mechanisms - in this case the process for changing a Fundamental Bylaw.

The NCSG notes that this will provide a useful “test case” for the new accountability mechanisms. There is utility in having the first test of the Empowered Community be a non-controversial Board committee renaming issue and not something more challenging. We look forward to a seamless process.

If there are questions regarding this comment, we would be delighted to provide further comment or clarification.

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