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AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ALAC Statement on the Deferral of Country Code Names Supporting Organization Review

Introduction

Alan Greenberg, ALAC Members of the North American Regional At-Large Organization (NARALO) and the ALAC Chair, developed an initial draft of the Statement on behalf of the ALAC.

On 08 May 2017, the first draft of the Statement was posted on its At-Large Workspace.

On that same date, ICANN Policy Staff in support of the At-Large Community sent a Call for Comments on the Statement to the At-Large Community via the <u>ALAC Announce Mailing List</u>.

On 16 May 2017, a version incorporating the comments received was posted on the aforementioned workspace and the ALAC Chair requested that Staff open an ALAC ratification vote.

On 19 May 2017, Staff confirmed that the online vote resulted in the ALAC endorsing the Statement with 13 votes in favor, 0 vote against, and 0 abstention. Please note that 86.67% (13) of the 15 ALAC Members participated in the poll. The ALAC Members who participated in the poll are (alphabetical order of the first name): Alan Greenberg, Alberto Soto, Andrei Kolesnikov, Bastiaan Gosling, Kaili Kan, Harold Arcos, Holly Raiche, Javier Rua, Leon Sanchez, Maureen Hilyard, Sebastien Bachollet, Seun Ojedeji, Tijani Ben Jemaa. Two ALAC Members, Garth Bruen and Wafa Zaafouri, didn't vote. You may view the result independently under: https://www.bigpulse.com/pollresults?code=75126hK7ig7RVwgevcZHdF7PV.

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The ALAC supports the ccNSO request to defer their review.

ICANN is overwhelmed with reviews of all kinds at the moment. If the ccNSO believes that a deferral will be beneficial to their use of volunteer resources and will result in a better outcome of the review when it is performed, this is a win-win situation.

The Bylaws give the Board some discretion on the scheduling of organizational reviews (unlike the Specific Reviews where there is no latitude for deferral). The present case is an appropriate use of this discretion.