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Proposal for dealing with IGO Acronyms

1. TMCH Modifications:

- ICANN will modify the Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH) to enable Eligible IGOs to submit, at no cost, up to two acronyms representing their names in up to 2 different languages into the TMCH.
- Participating Eligible IGOs will designate a contact person to receive email notifications of registrations of their submitted acronyms [for the life of the TMCH].
- If a third party registers an IGO's registered acronym, the IGO will receive notification of the registration from the TMCH.

2. URS Modifications

- ICANN will modify aspects of the Uniform Rapid Suspension System (URS) to enable IGOs to utilize the URS.
- In cases involving IGO names and acronyms, the URS rules requiring consent to national jurisdiction will not apply and the outcomes of such cases will not be appealable to any court of national jurisdiction.
- IGOs will not be required to pay for the use of the URS.

3. Arbitration Mechanism

- At present, the UDRP requires complainants to consent to the jurisdiction of national courts which IGOs cannot do.
- ICANN (in consultation with IGOs) will develop rules and procedures of an arbitration process to resolve claims of abuse of IGO names and acronyms.

4. Impact of future GNSO PDP on URS modifications and Arbitration Mechanism

- The terms above concerning modifications to the URS and the creation of an arbitration mechanism for the benefit of IGOs will remain in place unless the Board adopts further improvements to the URS and UDRP pursuant to any GNSO Policy Development Process.
- ICANN (in consultation with IGOs) will ensure that further improvements to the URS and UDRP will not result in a diminution of the safeguards granted to IGOs, outlined above.

5. Glossary

- Eligible IGO: An Intergovernmental Organization whose name appeared on the list attached as Annex 2 to the 22 March 2013 Letter from Heather Dryden, Chair of the Governmental Advisory Committee to Steve Crocker, Chair, ICANN Board.
- IGO Acronym: An abbreviation of the names of Eligible IGOs in up to two languages.