Encourage timely GAC input into GNSO Policy Development Activities

Provide a mechanism to flag upcoming GNSO policy issues / answer/relay GAC questions

Better understanding of GAC working methods

Mechanism for ongoing dialogue

Obtain updates & alerts

Better understanding of GNSO working methods

Create greater sensitivity within the GNSO regarding what may constitute public policy concerns and would/ could require GAC input

Mechanism to raise issues that would require GNSO policy consideration

Obtain responses to questions and be able to convey questions / requests for further information

## Possible alternatives to consider:

- GAC Vice-Chairs / GNSO Vice-Chairs regular interaction
- Topic Leads Buddy System
- Rethinking recurring joint meetings
- Further develop / expand early awareness & notification notices

## Questions to be answered:

- Is the Reverse Liaison the best mechanism to achieve these objectives? If the answer is 'no', what are the alternatives (see box on the left)? If the answer is 'yes', some of the questions to be answered are:

**Reverse Liaison?** 

- a. What is our definition of a 'reverse' liaison, or are we really talking about a GNSO liaison to the GAC?
- b. Is the reverse liaison one person or a group of people?
- c. What rights & responsibilities would the reverse liaison have?
- d. Who would appoint the reverse liaison and what would be the process for doing so?
- e. Should there be a mechanism by which the GAC or GNSO can dismiss the reverse liaison?
- f. How would the reverse liaison operate within the GAC?
- g. Would there be a need to obtain funding so that the reverse liaison is able to attend ICANN meetings?
- h. Would it be helpful to start the reverse liaison concept as a pilot project which can then be reviewed in a certain amount of time and possible adjustments made?