**Project Information: UDRP Locking**

**Project:** Implement GNSO Council Recommendations on UDRP Locking

**Responsible Entity:** Staff

**Project’s Lead Department:** Registrar Services

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**Project Team Members:** Caitlin Tubergen, Amy Bivins, ICANN Compliance, ICANN Legal

**Summary:** On 28 September 2014 the ICANN board adopted GNSO Council Policy Recommendations on the Locking of a Domain Name Subject to UDRP Proceedings. The final GNSO Council report includes 15 recommendations that will be implemented via a combination of changes to the UDRP rules and an advisory interpreting existing UDRP rules.

**Preliminary Plan for Implementation of UDRP Locking Recommendations**

Task 1 (staff/implementation team): Convene first implementation team call on 14 February 2014. Review implementation plan.

Task 2 (staff): Prepare draft of revised UDRP rules and/or advisory based on UDRP Locking Final Report (2 weeks).

Task 3 (staff/implementation team): Present revised UDRP rule changes and/or advisory to implementation team for review (2 weeks).

Task 4 (staff/implementation team): Discuss implementation team feedback (1 week).

Task 5 (staff): Finalize proposed UDRP rule changes and/or advisory (1 week).

Task 6 (staff): Post proposed UDRP rule changes and/or advisory for public comment (45 days).

Task 7 (staff/implementation team): Discuss public comment, if any (1 week).

Task 8 (staff): Finalize language and announce implementation timeline to registrars and UDRP service providers (2 weeks).

**Preliminary Plan for Outreach and Education Surrounding UDRP Locking**

Task 1: Update registrar training program to reflect new registrar requirements.

Task 2: Conduct webinar on the topic.