**Proposed Rule to Address the Resubmission of a Motion**

A. **Rule**. If a motion has been voted on by the GNSO Council and not adopted, that motion may be resubmitted to the Council for consideration at a subsequent meeting of the Council, subject to the following criteria:

 1) Explanation: The Councilor submitting the motion must also submit an explanation for the resubmission of the motion. The explanation need not accompany the motion when it is resubmitted; however, the explanation must be submitted no later than the deadline for submitting the motion (i.e., no later than 23h59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) on the day 10 calendar days before the Council meeting at which the motion is to be reconsidered). The explanation does not need to meet any requirements other than being submitted in a timely manner.

 2) Publication: The text and explanation of the resubmitted motion must be published (i.e., circulated to the Council mailing list) no later than the deadline for submitting the motion.

 3) Seconds: Upon the second resubmission of a motion (i.e., the third time the same motion comes before the Council), the motion must be seconded by a Councilor from each house in order for the motion to be eligible for inclusion on the consent agenda for that meeting. Whether such a resubmitted motion is included on the consent agenda will be determined pursuant to Section 4.9 (Consent Agenda) of the GNSO Operating Procedures.

B. **Limitations and Exceptions.** The above rule on resubmission of a motion is subject to the following limitations and exceptions:

 1) Same Meeting: A motion may not be resubmitted at the same meeting at which the motion was voted upon but not adopted.

 2) Material Changes: If material changes have been made to the text of a motion, the revised motion will not be considered a resubmitted motion. The revised motion will instead be considered a new motion. Whether or not a change in the text of a motion is material will be determined at the discretion of the GNSO Council Chair.

 3) Timing: A motion will no longer be considered a resubmitted motion once two Council meetings have passed after the meeting at which the motion was voted upon but not adopted. The motion will thereafter be considered a new motion. For example, if a motion has been voted upon but not adopted at a meeting in January, it would be considered a resubmitted motion if submitted for a meeting in February or March, but would be considered a new motion if submitted for a meeting in April.

 4) Motions Not Voted Upon: A motion that has been submitted to the Council but not voted upon (e.g., because it was deferred or withdrawn) will not be considered a resubmitted motion. A deferred motion remains before the Council and is therefore not “resubmitted.” A withdrawn motion will be considered a new motion when it is next submitted to the Council.

 5) ICANN Meetings: For purposes of this rule, all Council sessions at an ICANN Meeting will be considered to be part of a single meeting.