## **Registries Stakeholder Group Statement**



# Public Comment\*: IANA Naming Function Review: Recommendation for an IANA Naming Function Contract Amendment

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Reference url: https://www.icann.org/public-comments/iana-naming-function-contract-amend-2021-02-10-en.

#### Background<sup>1</sup>

The IANA Naming Function Review <u>Final Report</u> (26 Jan 2021) recommendation 4 calls for an amendment to Article 7, Section 7.1 (a) of the IANA Naming Function Contract.

Recommendation Summary: In Article 7 Section 7.1 (a), the IFRT recommends that this statement, "The relevant policies under which the changes are made shall be noted within each monthly report," be removed from the contract as it is a legacy statement from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) contract that is no longer required. Implementation of this requirement has long been recognized as being operationally impracticable ever since the time of the NTIA contract, and the IFRT is satisfied that its continued inclusion in the contract adds no value to the reports.

Per ICANN Bylaws Art.16, IFRT recommendations that require an IANA contract amendment must go through public comment before being approved by a supermajority vote of the ccNSO and GNSO Councils.

#### Related RySG comments:

RySG comment on the IANA Naming Function Review Initial Report (2 December 2020).

### Registries Stakeholder Group comment

The Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) welcomes the opportunity to reiterate our support for the work and recommendations of the IANA Naming Function Review Team (IFRT) and specifically supports the contractual amendment outlined in Recommendation 4 of the IANA Naming Function Review Team Final Report.<sup>2</sup>

As customers of the IANA Naming Function the RySG appreciates the important role the IFRT plays in ensuring the ongoing accountability of PTI as the steward of the IANA function. We continue to be encouraged to see the ICANN community fulfilling the commitments made during the IANA transition.

<sup>\*</sup> Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) Comment - In the interest of time, we did not conduct a vote on these comments. We did discuss them on our mailing list and during a biweekly conference call, and no member opposed their submission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Background: intended to give a brief context for the comment and to highlight what is most relevant for RO's in the subject document – it is not a summary of the subject document.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://84e2b371-5c03-4c5c-8c68-63869282fa23.filesusr.com/ugd/ec8e4c\_cba26ec9f29f41da88bea7d491e4f70d.pdf