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AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ALAC Statement on Request for Inputs on Topics on Transfer Policy Review PDP Charter

Introduction

On [30 June 2021](#), the Chair of the GNSO Transfer Policy Review Policy Development Process Working Group (TPR-PDP WG), Roger Carney, shared a letter with Supporting Organization and Advisory Committee (SOAC) Chairs requesting optional feedback on eight topic areas to be considered by the WG. The request for inputs on topics on the Transfer Policy Review PDP charter was requested by 4 August 2021.

On [07 July 2021](#), the ALAC representatives to the TPR-PDP WG, including ALAC Members Steinar Grøtterød and Daniel Nanghaka, ALAC Alternates Raymond Mamattah and Lutz Donnerhacke, and ALAC Observers Chokri Ben Romdhane, Hans Bathija, K Mohan Raidu, and Sivasubramanian Muthusamy, presented the letter to the At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG) for consideration. The CPWG determined it would be in the interest of end users to provide an overall statement on the At-Large role in the GNSO PDP, and the ALAC representatives began drafting initial consensus positions for consideration on a [Google Doc](#). The same day, ICANN Policy staff in support of the At-Large community created a [workspace](#) for community collaboration.

During [subsequent CPWG meetings](#), the ALAC representatives to the TPR-PDP WG provided presentations on At-Large consensus views for consideration by the At-Large community. It was determined that the ALAC did not need to respond to each of the questions in the 30 June 2021 SOAC letter, but that an ALAC statement would be useful.

On 03 August 2021, ICANN Policy staff in support of the At-Large community circulated a draft statement composed by the ALAC representatives to the TPR-PDP WG on the ALAC and CPWG mailing lists. The ALAC Chair, Maureen Hilyard, noted that the contributions made by new drafting team members and community members demonstrates a growth in formal inputs by the wider At-Large community.

On [04 August 2021](#), ALAC Member to the TPR-PDP WG, Steinar Grøtterød, presented the draft ALAC statement to the CPWG for review and approval. The same day, the ALAC statement was shared with the ALAC for their final review. The ALAC Chair, Maureen Hilyard, requested that the statement be transmitted to the GNSO TPR-PDP WG, copying the ICANN staff members responsible for this topic, with a note that the statement is pending ALAC ratification.

On 09 August 2021, staff confirmed the online vote resulted in the ALAC endorsing the statement with 14 votes in favor, 0 votes against, and 1 abstention. Please note 100% (15) of the 15 ALAC Members participated in the poll. The ALAC Members who participated in the poll are (alphabetical order by first name): Abdulkarim Oloyede, Dave Kissoondoyal, Gregory Shatan, Holly Raiche, Joanna Kulesza, Jonathan Zuck, Justine Chew, Marita Moll, Matthias Hudobniak, Maureen Hilyard, Pari Esfandiari, Sarah Kiden, Sindy Obed, and Sylvia Herlein Leite. One ALAC Member, Carlos Raul Gutierrez, abstained. You may view the result independently under: <https://www.bigpulse.com/pollresults?code=1343127M6krWz2DC2F2mZ6ffR6x> Please note 1 ALAC Member vote was added after official poll close.

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The ALAC/At-Large community welcomes the opportunity to take part in the Transfer Policy Review PDP. In this PDP WG, the At-Large end user community will emphasize the Registrant perspective, and advocate processes and policies that make an Inter-Registrar Transfer and a Change of Registrant simple, safe and secure.

In this phase of the work, the At-Large community believes that the questions addressed in the charter are conclusive for the PDP WG to set an updated Inter-Registrar Transfer and Change of Registrant Policy. However, At-Large sees the need to take the different business models of the Registrars into account in the policies. Hence, the charter questions must include the extension of a Registrar's obligations to their resellers.

Further, At-Large will advocate obligations to the Registrars to inform the Registrant about the transfer processes in an understandable way. These obligations concern Registrars and resellers.

Finally, At-Large will emphasize the security connected to the Transfer Authorization Code (TAC) and management of the TAC. This includes, but is not limited to, the processes and requirements for the Registrars to give Registrants access to the TAC, and distribute this in a simple, safe and secure way.