Public Comments

Current State, Observed Problems, Possible Solutions/Next Steps

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Public Comments: In place for ~6 months

The official minimum Comment period is 21 days.

The official minimum Reply period is 21 days.

If no substantive comments are received during the Comment period, then there will be no Reply period.

During the Reply period, participants should address previous comments submitted; new posts concerning the topic should not be introduced. When constructing Replies, contributors are asked to cite the original poster's name, comment date, and any particular text that is pertinent.

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Public Comments: Problems

Reply period is not used as intended

Used as a default extension over Comment Period

Duration of Comment periods
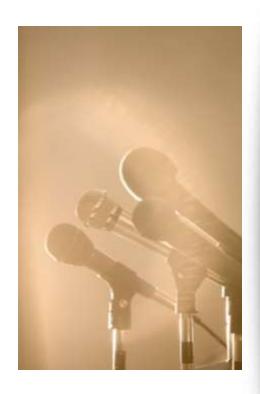
Min 21 day is used for ~50% of public comments

Found too short

Conflicting needs and requests from different parts of ICANN

Some find min 21 days too long

Solutions or Solution Sets

Solution Set 1:

1.a. Extend the minimum Comment period to 40 days.
1.b. Allow overlap between Comment and Reply periods.
1.c. Decrease Reply period to 15 days.

Solution Set 2:

2.a Extend the minimum Comment period to 45 days (or longer).
2.b Remove Reply period

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Thoughts?