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Working Party (initial assessment of feasibility and usefulness):	CG - Accept as is.
Staff (initial assessment of feasibility and usefulness):	Accept As-Is Accept With modification Reject Rationale: MK: Accept with modification. Note that this information already exists (see hereunder). If this is not sufficient, the recommendation should provide further guidance on how these guidelines and/or assistance can be improved.
Basis for Assessment:	
Work in Progress:	Such assistance is provided by the SO/AC Engagement Team led by Rob Hoggarth. See also http://gnso.icann.org/en/about/form-new-constituency.htm.
Expected Completion Date for Work in Progress:	
Milestones:	
Responsibility:	Staff

Public Comments Received

			Comment (Participation and Representation): That the GNSO Council commission the development of, and implement, guidelines to provide s wishing to establish a new Constituency.
29	Paul Diaz	gTLD Regis tries Stake holde r Group	(Support) The transparency of applications that is recommended in #24 would also help those that are considering applying for a constituency.
66	Osvaldo Novoa	ISPCP	(Support) This action should be undertaken following structural refom that addresses the concerns express in the comments to Recommendation #23. The conclusion reached within the report that 'the current structure of two Houses, four Stakeholder Groups, and multiple Constituencies, is very complex but allows for functional diversity while maintaining the balance of voting power between the Contracted and Non-Contracted Parties' Houses' totally misses the point. Whilst maintaining the voting balance is an important factor it is NOT an overriding reason to maintain a structure that is broken and substantially disadvantages a large part of the GNSO Community.
1 76	Laura Covingt on, J. Scott Evans, Marie Pattullo	Busin ess Cons tituen cy	The BC fully supports that the GNSO Council commission the development of, and implement, guidelines to provide assistance for groups wishing to establish a new Constituency, however we refer you to our comments on the overall GNSO structure.

2 62	Greg Shatan	IPC	(Support) Feedback to the Review team appears to indicate that a number of respondents have found the constituency application process less than clear. In the interests of encouraging wider participation and representation, therefore, the IPC supports the development of guidelines.
2 86	Amr Elsadr		The GNSO Council is not responsible for supporting the development of new constituencies; it is responsible for management of the GNSO's primary purpose, the process usd to develop gTLD policies.
3 36	Olivier Crepin- Leblond	ALAC	(Support) The ALAC supports this recommendation.