

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

5 September 2014

Re: [RSEP Ticket ID X8U3W-1P5H4]: Release of Country and Territory Names within .neustar

Dear Jeffrey J Neuman,

ICANN has conducted its review and made a preliminary determination regarding your RSEP Ticket ID X8U3W-1P5H4 to introduce country and territory names within the .neustar TLD.

A preliminary determination may result in one of the following categories as shown in the RSEP workflow (see workflow reference below):

• Option I: Approval

• Option II: Executive or Board Review

• Option III: Competition

Option IV: Security & StabilityOption V: Request Cancelled

Based on the information provided, ICANN's preliminary determination did not identify any significant competition or security and stability issues for your RSEP request.

However, the proposed implementation of the Registry Service requires a material change to your Registry Agreement (RA) and will require a Public Comment period and Board consideration. ICANN has created a proposed RA Amendment, which is attached to this case. Please review the proposed RA Amendment to ensure you agree with the proposed language and respond to this case confirming your agreement. Once ICANN receives confirmation from you, we will post the proposed RA Amendment for a minimum 21-day Public Comment period, followed by a 21-day Reply Period (the "Public Comment period"). Should the Public Comment period fall during an ICANN Meeting, ICANN may extend the duration to allow sufficient time for ICANN Meeting attendees to comment. ICANN is targeting to post your proposed RA Amendment for public comment on 12 September 2014. If you would like your Amendment posted by the target date, please provide feedback on the proposed RA Amendment no later than 10 September 2014.

ICANN will carefully consider all the contributions it receives through the public comment process as well as the work ongoing within the GAC who intends to consider the matter at the ICANN 51 meeting in Los Angeles (please refer to the <u>Singapore Communiqué</u> as well as the recent correspondence between the GAC and the ICANN Board on this issue https://www.icann.org/resources/correspondence/dryden-to-crocker-2014-08-08-en and https://www.icann.org/resources/correspondence/crocker-to-dryden-2-2014-09-02-en).



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To learn more about the RSEP or Public Comment processes, please refer to the links below:

- RSEP Policy: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/policy-bd-2012-02-25-en
- RSEP Implementation Notes: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/implementation-notes-2012-02-25-en
- **RSEP Workflow:** https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/workflow-2012-02-25-en
- Public Comment: https://www.icann.org/public-comments#open-public

If you have additional questions, please submit a case comment and we will respond as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

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