

ccNSO Council resolutions relating to ICANN Geographic Regions report.

Background

Based on a questionnaire in July 2006, the need for re-assessment of the definition of ICANN's Geographic Regions was ascertained. At the Sao Paulo meeting a working group on ICANN Geographic Regions was established by the ccNSO Council at the request of the ccNSO meeting. To structure the discussion at the ICANN Lisbon meeting, the WG produced a discussion paper. Based on the comments received on the paper, the WG produced a redraft for consultation. The consultation was conducted from 10 -28 May 2007. The input received resulted in a further draft containing revised recommendations. This paper was published for consultation from 20 June until 9 July, and was also the subject of discussions at the ICANN San Juan meeting. The final report of the WG was submitted to the ccNSO Council, including a draft for the paper to be submitted to the Board. At the request of the ccNSO Council, the final paper for Board submission was put up for consultation from 8 August until 28 August. No further comments were received.

Resolution 1

The ccNSO Council adopts the Final Report by the ccNSO Regions Working Group For Submission to the ICANN Board dated 24 September 2007, as a ccNSO Board submission paper.

In adopting the report, the ccNSO Council recommends that the ICANN Board appoint a community-wide Working Group to further study and review the issues related to the definition of the ICANN Geographic Regions, to consult with all stakeholders and submit proposals to the Board to resolve the issues relating to the current definition of the ICANN Geographic Regions.

The ccNSO Council requests its Chair to submit the Final report to the Board and the recommendation of the ccNSO.

Resolution 2

The ccNSO Council resolves to close the working Group on ICANN Geographic Regions and thanks the members for all their hard work and leadership in dealing with the complex set of issues relating to the ICANN Geographic Regions. The Council particularly thanks the Chair of the working group, David Archbold.