

ANNEX II

Extract from the *Communiqué<sup>1</sup> of the May 25, 1999, Meeting of the Governmental Advisory Committee of ICANN*

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“The Committee has had fruitful discussions around substantive issues relating to the usage of the Internet across the worldwide community, the administration of the country code top level domains (ccTLDs), and the WIPO Internet domain name process. The Committee initiated a positive and constructive process for addressing these and other significant Internet policy issues, and as a consequence makes the following recommendations to the ICANN Board.

“With regard to the text of the WIPO final report on the Internet domain name process, that:

“1. The GAC welcomes the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) report on the Management of the Internet Names and Addresses and endorses the general principles developed in the report related to best practice, Administrative Dispute Resolution (ADR), abusive domain name registration, and generally to help resolve differences between domain name and intellectual property rights address holders. The GAC notes, that, for the time being, the proposed trademark policy and disputes policy recommended by the WIPO report could be applied to gTLD’s including existing and future Registries and Registrars.

“2. The GAC reaffirms the requirement for transparency and reliability of DNS registration data, as recommended by the WIPO report, and requests that ICANN put in place an appropriate system to authorise and ensure access to data, consistent with applicable law or standards, including defining the purposes of such access.

“3. In view of the extensive public international consultations undertaken by WIPO in cooperation with ICANN during 1998-1999, we look to ICANN’s procedures to result in rapid resolution of the issues concerning dispute settlement and treatment of well known and famous marks. Specifically, the GAC calls on ICANN to report on implementation of the dispute settlement proposals by its Santiago meeting and to engage in further consultations with the Supporting Organisations and Advisory Committees with respect to the treatment of well known and famous marks.”

[Annex III follows]

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<sup>1</sup> The full text of the *Communiqué* is available at <http://www.icann.org/gac-comm-25-may99.html>.