

# The Internet Community of Korea's Comments on the Cross Community Working Group (CWG) on Naming Related Functions Draft Transition Proposal

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The Internet Community of Korea welcomes the opportunity to provide its comments on the Draft Transition Proposal on Naming Related Functions ("Draft Proposal") submitted by the Cross Community Working Group on Naming Related Functions.

The Internet Community of Korea would first like to express its appreciation to the members and participants of the CWG on Naming for their hard work on drafting this proposal.

Hereunder are our comments on the Draft Proposal:

## **1. MRT (Multi-stakeholder Review Team) composition: Giving sufficient consideration for Geographical Balance**

The CWG proposal suggests a framework consisting of 4 groups as the model to replace the US Government's IANA stewardship of function. Although additional discussion is needed as to the details of all 4 suggested groups, **geographical balance should be sufficiently considered for the composition of the Multi-stakeholder Review Team (MRT)**, which will play the most important and critical role such as decision making on IANA contract signing among the IANA functions to be transferred by the US Government.

To be a truly multi-stakeholder body, it is very important for the body to be a balance of various types of stakeholders. Although the composition rate of domain communities (ccTLD officials, gTLD officials, GAC, ALAC, etc.) is also an important agenda, and we believe that **geographical balance should be sufficiently considered when selecting MRT members** to ensure that no region is neglected before the discussion of details.

## **2. Maintaining the Neutrality of IAP (Independent Appealing Panel) and Contract Co.**

IAP and contract co. also need to be discussed in more detail. We suggest neutrality as the broad principle so that they can be independent from the capturing of specific groups or nations.

The Internet Community of Korea will continue participating and actively contributing to discussions on the transfer of IANA functions.

We suggest that ICANN actively engage in more efforts for outreach to share the information and encourage participation, since reaching global consensus is of utmost importance.

Thank you.

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