

Comment On the Revised PIC -DRP

The New gTLD Applicant Group (NTAG), the stakeholder group representing applicants under the new gTLD program, wishes to thank ICANN for listening to feedback from new gTLD applicants and the community at large regarding the Public Interest Commitment Dispute Resolution Procedure (PIC-DRP) and incorporating that feedback into a revised process that is more efficient and fair than previously presented.

NTAG thanks the ICANN staff, in particular, for meeting with members of the NTAG's PIC-DRP Working Group in Durban to discuss important revisions to the initial PIC-DRP and subsequently incorporating many of the Working Group's recommendations into this revised PIC-DRP. While not all of our recommended changes were adopted, NTAG feels that good compromises were made and a good outcome was achieved. The level of consultation and collaboration that occurred between ICANN staff and the Working Group was significant and should be considered a model for future discussions around improving processes for the new gTLD program.

The NTAG is pleased to submit this comment although individual members of the NTAG may be submitting additional constructive comments on the PIC-DRP.