INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CONSTITUENCY MEETING
Wednesday, March 30, 2005, 10:30 AM EST

Advance Agenda (3/29/05)

I. IPC Housekeeping Issues - Update
   A. Membership List - New Members
   B. Invoicing
   C. Website

II. ICANN Related Issues
   A. Proposed change to ICANN By-laws on Number of GNSO Council Seats.
      (http://www.icann.org/announcements/announcement-18mar05.htm)
   B. Argentina (Mar de Plata) Meeting
      1. Agenda (http://www.icann.org/meetings/mardelplata/)
      2. IPC Meeting Monday, April 4.
      4. GNSO Council meeting Wednesday April 6
      5. GNSO Public Forum items (Wednesday April 6):
         a. Domain name industry auction models (before/after expiry
            and after deletion)
         b. WHOIS suggested access controls, privacy
            protection services and accuracy improvements
      6. Registry agreements with .jobs and .travel
         (http://www.icann.org/announcements/announcement-24mar05.html)
   C. .net Registry Reassignment
      (draft registry agreement: http://www.icann.org/tlds/dotnet-
      reassignment/draft-net-agreement-9mar05.pdf)
   D. .net Evaluator’s Report
      (http://www.icann.org/announcements/announcement-28mar05.htm)

III. Other Issues/Next Meeting
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Minutes

Wednesday, March 30, 2005 10:30 AM EST - 11:40 AM EST

Attendees: J. Scott Evans, Jane Mutimear, Mark Bohannon, Michael Heltzer, Steve Metalitz, Ryan Lehning, Kiyoshi Tsuru, Victoria Carrington, Samantha Frida, Hector Ariel Manoff

I. Membership List, Website, and Invoicing

Participants briefly discussed IPC housekeeping issues. Ryan reported progress on compiling the IPC membership list, but was still working on getting the website up and running. Ryan will contact Marty Schwimmer and post material to the IPC Blog website to use as an interim site until a fully functional IPC website can be developed. Mark Bohannon reported that he had begun the process of invoicing IPC members and would continue that process over the next few weeks.

II. ICANN issues

In preparation for the ICANN meeting in Mar del Plata, Argentina (April 4-8), participants discussed issues that should be presented during the IPC and GNSO Council meetings. The IPC participants attending the Argentina meeting include Niklas Lagergren, Kiyoshi Tsuru, and Hector Ariel Manoff. Participants agreed that Whois should remain a focus of the meetings, especially the accuracy issues formerly dealt with by Whois Task Force 3. Because the re-combined Task Force has been dealing primarily with notice and access issues surrounding Whois, IPC participants wanted to re-iterate the importance of the accuracy issues during the ICANN meetings. Participants likewise agreed that contract compliance should be an issue the IPC discusses during the IPC and GNSO Council meetings. Participants recommended addressing WIPO II issues to the GNSO Council and ICANN Board, stressing the fact that no consensus has been reached within the policy development bodies of ICANN, and therefore, no policy should be adopted.

Participants also discussed the recently released evaluator’s report on the re-delegation of the .NET Registry. See ICANN Publishes Telcordia Report on their Findings and Rankings for .NET, at http://www.icann.org/announcements/announcement-28mar05.htm. Some IPC members raised concerns with ICANN over proposed registry operators, particularly DENIC which did not appear to meet the threshold criteria with respect to Whois. This was not reflected in the Evaluator’s report which stated that “all vendors met the absolute criteria. . .” Telcordia, ICANN .net RFP Evaluation Final Report 7, available at http://www.icann.org/tlds/dotnet-reassignment/net-rfp-finalreport-28mar05.pdf.

Participants noted that domain name auction models would be presented during the GNSO Public Forum meeting on Wednesday, April 6. In brief, these are methods by which registrars propose to auction off expiring or deleted names, rather than send them back to a “pool” where they can be obtained on a first-come, first-served basis, or obtained through a wait-listing service. These models are to be presented by registrars at the ICANN meeting on
Wednesday April 6. Participants decided to refrain from taking an opinion on such models until the presentations are made.

IV. Other Issues/Next Meeting

Attendees scheduled the next IPC meeting for Thursday April 21 at 10:30 AM EDT. Please note the recent change to Daylight Savings Time in the United States. Ryan will circulate call-in information and an agenda in advance of the meeting. We anticipate that the majority of this meeting will be a summary of the ICANN Mar del Plata meeting.