Political Oversight

62b: We recognize that the time has come for a change in the political oversight of the logical Internet infrastructure. We do not recommend the creation of a new oversight organization for domain names and IP addresses. However, we do recommend the following changes with regard to ICANN be implemented in a reasonable time frame:

1. The US Government recommits to handing over its pre-eminent role of stewardship in relation to ICANN and enters into an adequate host-country agreement for ICANN.

2. ICANN must ensure full and equal multi-stakeholder participation on its Board and throughout its organizational structure by the community of Internet users, civil society, the technical community, private sector and governments.

3. ICANN must ensure that it establishes clear, transparent rules and procedures commensurate with international norms and principles for fair administrative decision-making to provide for predictable policy outcomes.

4. ICANN must establish a process for extraordinary appeal of its decisions in the form of an independent multi-stakeholder review commission, established on a case-by-case basis. Just to be clear, we are not calling for an oversight structure, and we don't see an independent review process as a path towards that direction.

5. Once all the conditions listed above are met, the US Government transfers the IANA function to ICANN.