

Policy Advisory Board Meeting 6th August 2003

The CoM thanks the PAB for the list of its resolutions and responds as annotated.

June Meeting Report

Approved nem-con.

Resolution 1

The PAB resolved to repeat its prior request to the Council of Management to produce a written report of which recommendations of the PAB it had accepted, and which it had not, prior to the issue of PAB papers.

CoM response: **Noted and hereby done**

Resolution 2

The PAB approved the paper presented by the *me.uk* subcommittee, and recommended to the Council of Management that it implement the policy changes detailed therein.

The PAB recommended that when a successful DRS challenge is made against a registration, the expert should have the option that the domain name should be put in a state where it is registered neither to the complainant nor to the original registrant, and its use be blocked until expiry of the original registration, as if the domain name had been suspended, or for such longer period as the expert shall specify.

CoM response: **Will be considered at the September CoM Meeting**

Resolution 3

The PAB resolved to create a subcommittee to examine the specific details of the proposed SLD procedure, with specific reference to the questions raised by Nominet in its consultation. The subcommittee should work on the assumption that the proposals will be adopted broadly in their existing form, and consideration of whether or not this should be the case shall specifically be outside the remit of the subcommittee. No implication should be drawn from this resolution as to whether or not such adoption should in fact occur, and this decision is specifically reserved until the October PAB meeting. Peter Gradwell is to chair the subcommittee.

CoM response: **Noted**

Resolution 4

The PAB noted the Council of Management's proposals on pricing, and noted that the only proposed change was in relation to bulk transfers and bulk manual tag-changes. The PAB resolved to approve the principle behind price changes, as outlined in the document. The PAB made no recommendation as to the approval or otherwise of the detail of the price changes, as it felt this should be a matter for the Council of Management as detailed below.

CoM response: Accepted

The PAB noted that it was in a peculiar situation in that it was being asked to determine the appropriateness or otherwise of price changes where it was in a poorer position to judge the issues concerned than either the Council of Management or the Executive. The PAB resolved to request that the Council of Management only ask the PAB for decisions on price changes when required to do so by the Memorandum and Articles, and simply keep it informed in other circumstances.

CoM response: Accepted