

PAB Resolutions: 11 May 2005

Paragraph numbers reflect agenda item numbers.

4. Feedback from Board on PAB Recommendations

The PAB resolved to clarify its recommendation to the Board from item 5 of the 37th meeting of the PAB concerning the report of the Registration Periods Working Group such that the functionality described should be extended to all renewals.

Approved. Passed to the executive for action.

5. Working Groups update

The PAB **resolved** to appoint James Cronin as chair of the Working Group Subcommittee.

Noted.

6. Amendments to WHOIS Output

The PAB resolved to recommend to the Board that the 'WHOIS' output be changed to display the registrant type and, where appropriate, the associated identifying number; this change is only to be made after the full details of the change have been published and sufficient time given to tag holders to change their systems.

Approved. Passed to the executive for action.

8. Appointed organisations

The PAB **resolved** to recommend to the Board that the appointment of the British Chambers of Commerce to the PAB be replaced by the appointment of a consumer focused, or small business focused, or voluntary sector based organisation, and requested that the executive find candidate organisations who are willing to serve on the PAB and present a list to the next PAB meeting.

Agreed, and passed to the executive for action. As a point of clarification, appointment of PAB members is decided by the PAB (PAB Rules 4.14).

9. Child Pornography allegations in .uk

The PAB **resolved** to recommend to the Board that the executive should apply procedures for cancellation of domain names for false contact details quickly in cases where Nominet is informed by a competent authority that the domain name in question is associated with child pornography.

Approved, and passed to the executive for action

The PAB noted its prior advice that Nominet should cancel domain names the maintenance on the register of which, having legal advice, appear to Nominet would be likely to result in criminal liability; and further noted

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Nominet's existing policy of cancelling any domain name if so required by receipt of an order of a court of competent jurisdiction; and **resolved** to recommend to the Board that where allegations of child pornography associated with a domain name were received by Nominet, and where maintenance of such a domain name did not result in criminal liability of Nominet, and where such a court order was not present, the correct course of action for Nominet would be to refer any such allegations to the IWF and/or competent law enforcement authorities.

Approved and passed to the executive for action

The PAB further **resolved** to keep a watching brief on this issue, and to proactively liaise with parliamentarians and the appropriate government departments, in particular the Home Office, to attempt to ensure any further legislation is appropriately framed.

Noted. It is assumed that the intention was to pass this action to the executive for incorporation in the current public affairs programme.

12. Matters arising from nom-steer and pab-suggest

The PAB **resolved** to recommend to the Board that it present to the PAB a review of its current policy regarding situations where (a) a domain name has been registered by one party, (b) it has been in the exclusive use of a second party, (c) current policy would require the domain name to be suspended or cancelled, (d) the second party can adduce evidence that the domain name was originally meant to be registered in its own name, and (e) no party contests this.

Noted and passed to the executive for a review.