Registries Stakeholder Group Statement

Public Comment*: **Additional Reference Label Generation Rulesets (LGRs) for the Second Level**

Date statement submitted: **11 March 2021**

Reference url: *https://www.icann.org/public-comments/lgr-additional-reference-2021-01-28-en* .

Background[1]

Based on the Guidelines for Developing Reference Label Generation Rules (LGRs) ICANN has developed four additional LGRs for the second level:

- Arabic Script Reference LGR (XML, HTML)
- Hebrew Language Reference LGR (XML, HTML)
- Hebrew Script Reference LGR (XML, HTML)
- Sinhala Script Reference LGR (XML, HTML)

Related RySG comments:

- RySG Comments to the Guidelines for Developing Reference Label Generation Rules (LGRs) for the Second Level Version (12 May 2020)

Registries Stakeholder Group comment

The Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) welcomes the opportunity to comment on this report and thanks ICANN and the Community for the continued work to develop Reference Label Generation Rules (LGRs) for the Second Level. The development and dissemination of additional resources is appreciated and the RySG continues to see the value of Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) to further the goals of competition and consumer choice for internet users globally.

As we noted in our May 2020 in response to the Guidelines for Developing Reference Label Generation Rules (LGRs) for the Second Level Version 2, a balance between security and usability remains important.[2] Further, the RySG notes that while registries strive to support predictability in practices and operations, there remains no contractual requirement for registries to adopt ICANN Reference LGRs.

The RySG again thanks ICANN for developing and disseminating these LGR resources. We look forward to further discussions on developing a process for adopting Reference LGRs within the multistakeholder policy development process.

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* *Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) Comment - In the interest of time, we did not conduct a vote on these comments. We did discuss them on our mailing list and during a biweekly conference call, and no member opposed their submission.*

[1] *Background: intended to give a brief context for the comment and to highlight what is most relevant for RO's in the subject document – it is not a summary of the subject document.*

[2] Registries Stakeholder Group Public Comments to the Guidelines for Developing Reference Label Generation Rules (LGRs) for the Second Level Version 2 report, https://84e2b371-5c03-4c5c-8c68-63869282fa23.filesusr.com/ugd/ec8e4c_09df3379c7c44ece81ce3b35e422f97e.pdf