Registries Stakeholder Group Statement

Policy Status Report: Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP)

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Reference url: https://www.icann.org/en/public-comment/proceeding/policy-status-report-uniform-domain-name-dispute-resolution-policy-udrp-03-03-2022 .

Background[2]
The UDRP Policy Status Report (PSR) provides an overview of the UDRP to support the GNSO's assessment of the effectiveness of the UDRP in meeting its intended purposes. It includes background on the UDRP processes and procedures, publicly available and general data on UDRP complaints and decisions, and brief analyses. By collating this data, the PSR is intended to serve as input to UDRP-related review efforts and to support data-driven policy making, such as the Review of all Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in all gTLDs Policy Development Process (PDP).

Registries Stakeholder Group comment*

> *Summary of Submission:*
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> The RySG supports the UDRP as a valuable tool for the community and has no further input for the UDRP Status Report.

The Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) thanks ICANN Staff for their diligent work drafting the UDRP Status Report and appreciates this opportunity to comment. The RySG appreciates efforts to ensure existing mechanisms are fulfilling their intended purposes.

The UDRP has functioned as an invaluable tool for handling cybersquatting disputes between trademark owners and domain registrants for over 20 years. The UDRP allows rights' holders and registrants to resolve their dispute through a streamlined administrative procedure without engaging in expensive and time-consuming litigation. Crucially, the UDRP has served to keep registries, registrars and ICANN from being brought into such disputes.

The RySG supports the UDRP as a valuable tool for the community and has no further input for the UDRP Status Report.

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[1] *This is a copy of the comment submitted via the ICANN Public comment platform.*
[2] *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.*