Report of Public Comments

Title:	Preliminary Issue Report on Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information

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Section I: General Overview and Next Steps

As a required step in the GNSO Policy Development Process (PDP), ICANN Staff requested input on the [Preliminary Issue Report on Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information](#) [PDF, 649 KB]. Following the request for an Issue Report by the GNSO Council on 17 October 2012, ICANN Staff published the Preliminary Issue Report on Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information for public comment. The Preliminary Issue Report will be updated to reflect community feedback submitted through the forum. A Final Issue Report will then be presented to the GNSO Council for its consideration.

Section II: Contributors

At the time this report was prepared, a total of two (2) community submissions had been posted to the Forum. The contributor is listed with its initials. To the extent that quotations are used in the foregoing narrative (Section III), such citations will reference the contributor's initials.

Organizations and Groups:

Name	Submitted by	Initials
Michele Neylon of Blacknight Solutions	Michele Neylon	MN
Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)	Julie Hedlund	SSAC

Section III: Summary of Comments

General Disclaimer: This section is intended to broadly and comprehensively summarize the comments submitted to this Forum, but not to address every specific position stated by each contributor. Staff recommends that readers interested in specific aspects of any of the summarized comments, or the full context of others, refer directly to the specific contributions at the link referenced above (View Comments Submitted).

MN agrees with the recommendations in the Preliminary Issue Report, particularly with the deferral of a PDP until the work of the Expert Working Group on the purpose of domain name registration data is complete. He notes, "…any outcome of a PDP at this juncture could conflict with recommendations from another PDP, thus rendering the entire process even more confusing than it already is."

The SSAC notes that it has provided advice relating to the issues identified in the Preliminary Issue Report. In addition, the SSAC emphasized the importance of waiting for the work of the Expert Working Group to be complete. The SSAC agreed with ICANN staff that the work of the Expert Working Group could have bearing on the issue of translation and transliteration of contact information and that a PDP on this issue should be initiated, but deferred.

Section IV: Analysis of Comments

General Disclaimer: This section is intended to provide an analysis and evaluation of the comments received along with explanations regarding the basis for any recommendations provided within the analysis.

The analysis of comments by staff finds that MN and the SSAC support the Preliminary Issue Report.