WAIVER OF THE 10-DAY MOTION SUBMISSION RULE IN THE GNSO OPERATING PROCEDURES

FINAL SCI PROPOSAL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The SCI makes this recommendation in response to the request of the GNSO Council for the SCI to consider a waiver mechanism that could allow the Council to consider a motion or document after the deadline of notice or submission to the Council has passed.

THE SCI PROPOSES THAT THE CURRENT SECTION 3.3 IN THE GNSO OPERATING PROCEDURES BE RENUMBERED, AND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE INSERTED (IN SECTION 3.3.2 AS FURTHER HIGHLIGHTED BELOW) TO DEAL WITH MOTIONS SUBMITTED AFTER THE TEN DAY MOTION DEADLINE, AS FOLLOWS:

3.3 Notice of Meetings

3.3.1 Advance Notice of Meetings

Advance notice of meetings shall be posted on the GNSO website, if reasonably practicable, at least 7 days in advance of the meeting for Administrative issues and 14 days in advance for Policy issues. Advance notice shall also be posted to other GNSO Council workspaces where practical.

3.3.2 Submission of Reports and Motions

Reports and motions should be submitted to the GNSO Council for inclusion on the agenda as soon as possible, but no later than 23h59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) on the day, 10 calendar days before the GNSO Council meeting (the "Submission Deadline").

If a motion is submitted after the Submission Deadline, the GNSO Council shall consider the motion if the following requirements are met:

- a. The motion (including any report or other supporting documentation) is submitted to the GNSO Council at least 24 hours in advance of the GNSO Council meeting:
- The motion is accompanied by a request to consider the motion despite submission after the Submission Deadline (a "Request for Consideration");
- c. A vote on the Request for Consideration shall be called as the first order of business for the agenda item that deals with the motion. The vote on the Request for Consideration must be unanimous (i.e., all Councilors or their proxies must vote and all votes cast must be in favor of considering the motion at such GNSO Council meeting) for the motion to be considered at such GNSO Council meeting.

If these requirements are not met, the motion shall not be considered submitted for the next Council meeting. For the avoidance of doubt, if the motion is proposed

again for a subsequent Council meeting, it shall not be considered a resubmitted motion under the rules for Resubmission of a Motion in these Operating Procedures.

3.3.3 Time of Meetings

The time of the meetings may vary to accommodate the different geographic regions represented by GNSO Council members. By way of guidance, start times corresponding to local times for the GNSO Council members earlier than 0600 and later than 2300 should be avoided where possible.