

Amendment to Registry Agreements

THIS AMENDMENT (“Amendment”), effective as of _____ (“Amendment Effective Date”), is made by and between the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (“ICANN”) and Microsoft Corporation (“Registry Operator”), and shall amend the Registry Agreement for certain top-level domains (“TLDs”) in the manner as further detailed and described herein.

WHEREAS, Registry Operator (i) is party to the Registry Agreements identified in Appendix I (each, a “Registry Agreement”) and (ii) is the Registry Operator of those TLDs identified in Appendix I to this Amendment, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of the mutual of convenience of the parties, in lieu of executing an individual amendment to the Registry Agreement for each individual TLD identified in Appendix I, the parties hereby desire to consolidate the modifications as provided in this Amendment.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

1. Registry Operator represents it has proper authority to execute this Amendment for the purposes intended.
2. The Registry Agreement for those TLDs identified in Appendix I shall be amended in the manner set forth below as the amendment number provided in Appendix I.
3. The parties hereby agree to amend Exhibit A of each of the Registry Agreements identified in Appendix I by deleting the following section 4 in its entirety:

[START OLD TEXT]

“4. Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs)

Registry Operator may offer registration of IDNs at the second and lower levels provided that Registry Operator complies with the following requirements:

- 4.1.** Registry Operator must offer Registrars support for handling IDN registrations in EPP.
- 4.2.** Registry Operator must handle variant IDNs as follows:
 - 4.2.1.** By default variant IDNs (as defined in the Registry Operator’s IDN tables and IDN Registration Rules) must be blocked from registration.
 - 4.2.2.** Variant IDNs may be activated when requested by the sponsoring Registrar of the canonical name as described in the IDN Tables and IDN Registration Rules.
 - 4.2.3.** Active variant IDNs must be provisioned in the TLD’s DNS zone file as zone cuts using the same NS resource records as the canonical name.
- 4.3.** Registry Operator may offer registration of IDNs in the following languages/scripts (IDN Tables and IDN Registration Rules will be published by the Registry Operator as specified in the ICANN IDN Implementation Guidelines):
 - 4.3.1.** Chinese language
 - 4.3.2.** Danish language

- 4.3.3. Finnish language
- 4.3.4. German language
- 4.3.5. Hungarian language
- 4.3.6. Icelandic language
- 4.3.7. Japanese language
- 4.3.8. Korean language
- 4.3.9. Latvian language
- 4.3.10. Lithuanian language
- 4.3.11. Norwegian language
- 4.3.12. Polish language
- 4.3.13. Portuguese language
- 4.3.14. Russian language
- 4.3.15. Spanish language
- 4.3.16. Swedish language”

[END OLD TEXT]

Each party hereby acknowledges and agrees that this Amendment shall not be construed as a waiver of any provision of the Registry Agreements by any party hereto, nor shall it in any way affect the validity of, or the right of any party hereto, to enforce the provisions of the Registry Agreements. The parties agree that, except as set forth in this Amendment and any prior duly authorized and executed amendments, the current terms and conditions of each Registry Agreement will remain in full force and effect. All capitalized terms not defined will have the meaning given to them in each Registry Agreement. This Amendment may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

INTERNET CORPORATION FOR ASSIGNED NAMES AND NUMBERS

By: _____
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By: _____
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APPENDIX I

List of Registry Agreements to be Amended

TLD	Registry Agreement Effective Date	Amendment
.office	12 March 2015	1
.skype	18 December 2014	1