SOCIÉTÉ INTERNATIONALE DE TÉLÉCOMMUNICATIONS AÉRONAUTIQUES ("SITA")

REGULAR MEETING OF .AERO SPONSOR

MEETING MINUTES [07.06]

07 JUNE 2007

A meeting of .aero Sponsor, SITA, was held on 07 June 2007 in Geneva. The following representatives of the Sponsor were present: Fabiano Chies, Marie Zitkova. The meeting was held imminently following the 10th official meeting with the industry advisory body, the Dot Aero Council.

1) **DAC membership**
   a) Noted that Mr. Gary Cooper became the new ARINC representative with DAC.

2) **.aero domain name registrations and registrars**
   a) Noted that there has been an increasing number of domain name registrations and new customers.
   b) Noted that two of the .aero registrars – Namesbeyond and Secura have successfully undertaken targeted marketing campaigns and press releases.
   c) Noted that an African registrar Kheweul.Com has expressed interest in becoming a .aero registrar and if they become authorized, they will be the first ever African registrar, authorized by ICANN.

3) **Renewal of .aero agreement with ICANN**
   a) Noted that the renewal negotiation of the ICANN agreement has not been completed yet and expressed concerns regarding the newly proposed template including the continued requirement to use only ICANN-accredited registrars.
   b) Noted that SITA and other sponsors managed to get back the delegation of the policy development rights but other provisions in the agreement still weaken the delegation.
   c) Agreed SITA to SITA to contact DAC members for verification whether their organization may be listed in new .aero agreement as a party which should be consulted by ICANN in the event of re-delegation of .aero.
   d) Agreed SITA to provide DAC members with updates on the current status of the ICANN negotiations

4) **Next steps regarding the reservation of 3 character codes**
   a) Noted there was still continuous interest and requests for 3 character names by non airports.
   b) Noted that the significant awareness campaigns to the airport community, to notify them about the possibility to register their 3-letter airport codes, did not raise the expected interest.
   c) Agreed to be set up a process for the release of the codes over a period of 12-18 months, giving the airports community an additional opportunity to register them.
   d) Agreed SITA to draft an action plan for releasing the 3-letter airport codes and circulate it between DAC members before implementing it.

e) Decided 3-letter codes to be released from reservation after a period, during which airports will be given a last chance to react.

5) Registration of reserved domain name "AGENDA.AERO"
   a) Noted that the registration of this domain name by the interested registrant would have no global impact on the aviation community.
   b) Noted that the domain name has been reserved as a functional domain name.
   c) Agreed SITA to circulate to DAC members the full list of reserved special industry domain names with a view of releasing them unless specific reason for reservation remains.
   d) Decided DAC to review the list of currently reserved special industry domain names and express their view on which ones should be kept reserved.