ANNEX 1: Registry Reserved Names

Article 1.   Definitions

Capitalized terms have the meaning as specified in Article 1 of the .VIG Domain Name Registration Policies.

Article 2.   General list of Registry Reserved Names

The Domain Names mentioned or described in the following list are Registry Reserved Names and may be registered in the name of the Registry at the second level of the .VIG extension:

1. HOME.VIG
2. WWW.VIG
3. NIC.VIG
4. RDDS.VIG
5. WHOIS.VIG

Article 3.   Reservation of the label "EXAMPLE"

The label "EXAMPLE" shall be reserved at the second level and at all other levels within .VIG at which registrations are made.

Article 4.   Categories of Reserved Names

At its own discretion, the Registry may reserve the following (categories of) domain names at the second level and at all other levels within .VIG at which registration are made:

− defamatory names; and
− names and brands of competitors.

Article 5.   Country and Territory Names

The Domain Names mentioned or described in the following list are Registry Reserved Names at the second level and at all other levels within .VIG for which registration is provided by the Registry Operator and consents from the applicable governments will be obtained to the extend required:

1. the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, Technical Reference Manual for the Standardization of Geographical Names, Part III Names of Countries of the World;
2. the list of United Nations member states in 6 official United Nations languages prepared by the Working Group on Country Names of the United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names.

Article 6.   International Olympic Committee; International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

The Domain Names, including their IDN variants, where applicable, relating to the International Olympic Committee, International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement listed at http://www.icann.org/en/resources/registries/reserved shall be withheld from registration or allocated to Registry Operator at the second level within the TLD.

Article 7.   International Organisations

The Domain Names listed at http://www.icann.org/en/resources/registries/reserved shall be withheld from registration or allocated to Registry Operator at the second level within the TLD.

Article 8.   Categories of Registry Reserved Names

The (categories of) Domain Names that are to be registered in the name of the Registry Operator include, but are not limited to:

- Generic names that are directly or indirectly related to the day-to-day activities of the Registry;
- Names elating to departments and subsidiaries of the Registry
- Names of dealers, stores or outlets;
- Names of geographic locations where services are (planned to be) provided; and
- Names relating to business partners and customers.

Article 9.   Registration of letter/letter Two-Character ASCII Labels

Effectiveness of 13 December 2016, in line with Section 2 of Specification 5 of the Registry Agreement, ICANN authorizes all new gTLD Registry Operators to release for registration to third parties and activation in the DNS at the second level all two-character letter/letter ASCII labels not previously authorized by ICANN for release and not otherwise required to be reserved pursuant to Section 6 of Specification 5 of the Registry Agreement, subject to the following:

1. The Registry Operator will take necessary measures to ensure against misrepresenting or falsely implying that the registrant or its business is affiliated with a government or country-code manager if such affiliations, sponsorship or endorsement

2. The Registry Operator will take reasonable steps to investigate and respond to any reports from governmental agencies and ccTLD operators of conduct that causes confusion with the corresponding country code in connection with the use of a letter/letter two-character ASCII domain. In responding to such reports, the Registry Operator will not be required to take any action in contravention of applicable law.