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DECISION

Regulation on Management and Assignment of .gr Domain Names

The National Telecommunications and Post Commission (EETT),

Having regard to:

- (a) L.2867/2000 "Organisation and Operation of Telecommunications and other Provisions" (Government Gazette [FEK] Issue 273/A/2000), and especially article 3, par. 14, items (a) and (ab);
- (b) the fact that the provisions of this Decision do not give rise to State Budget expenditure;

Has adopted the following Decision:

<u>CHAPTER 1</u> <u>PURPOSE - DEFINITIONS</u>

Article 1

Purpose – Scope of Application

- 1. The purpose of this Decision is to establish the rules concerning the procedure for the assignment and use of .gr domain names.
- 2. The following constitute exclusively the objects of Assignment:

- (a) .gr Second-Level Domain (2LD) Names; and
- (b) .gr Third-Level Domain (3LD) Names whose third level only is a Variable Field.
- 3. EETT has the exclusive competence for the Assignment of:
 - (a) .gr Second-Level Domain (2LD) Names; and
 - (b) .gr Third-Level Domain (3LD) Names whose third level only is a Variable Field.
- 4. With the exception of .gr 3LD Names whose third level only is a Variable Field, .gr 3LD Names or .gr names in lower-level domains are not the object of Assignment by EETT and no exclusive right on them is acquired pursuant to this Decision.
- 5. The use of 3LD Names or of names in lower-level domains presupposes the Assignment, pursuant to this Decision, of the corresponding .gr 2LD Name from which the .gr 3LD Name or the .gr name in a lower-level domain is composed, or the Assignment of the corresponding .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field.
- 6. Under the terms and limitations of this Decision, a 3LD Name or a name under a lower-level domain, composed from a .gr Domain Name which in accordance with this Decision constitutes the object of Assignment by EETT, may be used either by the Holder of the .gr Domain Name assigned or by another person with the consent of the Holder of the corresponding .gr Domain Name assigned.

Definitions

For the application of this Regulation, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them below:

<u>Zone File</u>: A file located on a Name Server and specifying precisely, *inter alia*, Domain Names together with the corresponding sub-domains, the corresponding IP addresses and the corresponding electronic mail servers.

<u>Assignment of .gr Domain Name</u>: The individual administrative act by which EETT grants to a natural or legal person the exclusive right to use a specific .gr 2LD Name or a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field. EETT has the exclusive competence to assign .gr 2LD Names or .gr 3LD Names whose third level only is a Variable Field.

<u>Activation of Domain Name</u>: The commencement of the operation of a Domain Name as a means for communication over the Internet, through the entry of the Domain Name in the corresponding Name Servers.

<u>Activation of .gr Domain Name</u>: The Activation of a Domain Name for which an Assignment has previously taken place in accordance with this Decision.

The zone files maintained by the Registry contain entries for the corresponding .gr Name Servers. The Name Servers declared for the .gr Domain Name respond to domain name resolution requests in accordance with the provisions of the Domain Name System and of <u>Appendix A</u> which is attached hereto and constitutes an integral part hereof.

<u>Name Server</u>: An information system connected to the Internet and having as its main function to match domain names to IP addresses in accordance with the Domain Naming Name System.

<u>IP Address</u>: A sequence of 32 or 128 binary digits, used for addressing operations by the Internet Protocol (IP).

<u>Registration</u>: The procedure for Assignment of .gr Domain Names in its entirety, initiated by the submission of an Application to the Registrar and is concluded with the Assignment of .gr Domain Names by EETT.

<u>Registrar</u>: A person to whom Applications for Assignment may be submitted by parties interested in being assigned a .gr Domain Name. The Registrar is under obligation to meet at all times the minimum requirements under <u>Appendix B</u> of this Decision, which constitutes an integral part hereof, as in force each time. Any person meeting the minimum requirements of <u>Appendix B</u> hereto may act as Registrar.

Registrant: A person who submits an Application for Assignment of a .gr Domain Name through a Registrar.

<u>Variable Field</u>: The Variable Field of a Domain Name is that part of the Domain Name which is not exclusively composed of:

- i. the alphanumeric characters ".gr", and/or
- ii. the alphanumeric characters that compose Public .gr Domain Names.

<u>Registry</u>: The database that contains all .gr Domain Names assigned and the .gr Domain Names that may constitute the object of an Application for Assignment, together with the corresponding data for each one of them, as such data may be specified from time to time by EETT Decisions. Moreover, the Registry is responsible for managing the Name Servers and the zone files required for proper operation of the .gr Domain Names. The Registry belongs to EETT, which is moreover responsible for its proper use in conformity with the legislation in force. EETT may assign to another person the management of the Registry under the terms hereof.

<u>Domain Name</u>: An alphanumeric sign which uniquely identifies a computer connected to a network or a group of computers connected to a network, according to the principles of the Domain Name System.

.gr Top or First-Level Domain Name (.gr TLD Name): The .gr Domain Name.

<u>.gr Second-Level Domain Name (.gr 2LD Name)</u>: Any Domain Name of the form "name.gr". The field "name" constitutes the 2nd level of the .gr 2LD Name.

<u>.gr Third-Level Domain Name (.gr 3LD Name)</u>: Any Domain Name of the form "name1.name2.gr". The fields "name2" and "name1" constitute the 3rd and 2nd levels, respectively, of the .gr Domain Name.

<u>.gr Domain Name</u>: For the purposes of this Decision, the .gr Domain Names which may constitute the object of Assignment by EETT, i.e. .gr 2LD Names and .gr 3LD Names whose third level only is a Variable Field.

<u>Domain Name System (DNS)</u>: All hardware and software components and the network connections between them which implement the principles of Domain Name management, as such principles were set out by Internet standards RFC 1034, RFC 1035, RFC 1122, RFC 1123 and RFC 2182, as well as by any standards which subsequently modified and completed these and/or were based thereon.

<u>.gr Domain Name Holder</u>: The person to whom a .gr Domain Name is assigned pursuant hereto.

CHAPTER II

OBJECT OF RIGHT - PUBLIC .gr DOMAIN NAMES

Article 3

Contents of right on .gr Domain Names

- 2. The right acquired by the .gr Domain Name Assignment consists solely in the acquisition by the Holder of the specific .gr Domain Name of the exclusive right to use the specific alphanumeric characters with the sole purpose to uniquely identify a computer connected to a network or a group of computers connected to a network, according to the principles of the Domain Name System.
- 3. The Holder of a right on a .gr Domain Name has the authority to prohibit any third party from:
 - (a) Using, without the consent of the Holder, exclusively alphanumeric characters identical to those that compose the Variable Field of the

- Holder's .gr Domain Name, in order to compose the Variable Filed of another .gr Domain Name of the same level, with the purpose to uniquely identify a computer connected to a network or a group of computers connected to a network, according to the principles of the Domain Name System.
- (b) Using, without the consent of the Holder, exclusively alphanumeric characters identical to those that compose the Variable Field of the Holder's .gr Domain Name, in order to compose a Domain Name which is not the object of Assignment pursuant to this Decision, with the purpose to uniquely identify a computer connected to a network or a group of computers connected to a network, according to the principles of the Domain Naming System. By way of exception from this paragraph:
 - i. Subject to the existence of some other right on the sign composed exclusively of the alphanumeric characters that compose the Variable Field of a .gr 2LD Name, the Holder of a .gr 2LD Name can not prevent the use of the alphanumeric characters that compose the Variable Field of the Holder's .gr Domain Name for composition of a fourth-or lower-level Domain Name, if the Variable Field of the Domain Name assigned is used exclusively for forming the fourth or lower level of the fourth- or lower-level Domain Name.
 - ii. Subject to the existence of some other right on the sign composed exclusively of the alphanumeric characters that compose the Variable Field of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field, the Holder of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field can not prevent the use of the alphanumeric characters that compose the Variable Field of the Holder's .gr Domain Name for composition of a fifth- or lower-level Domain Name, if the Variable Field of the Domain Name assigned is used exclusively for forming the fifth or lower level of the fifth or lower-level Domain Name.
- 4. Subject to the existence of some other right on the sign composed exclusively of the alphanumeric characters that compose the Variable Field:
 - (a) of a .gr 2LD Name, the Holder of the specific .gr 2LD Name can not prevent the Assignment of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field and whose Variable Field consists of identical alphanumeric characters;
 - (b) of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field, the Holder of the specific .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field can not prevent the Assignment of a .gr 2LD

- Name whose Variable Field consists of identical alphanumeric characters;
- (c) of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field, the Holder of the specific .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field can not prevent the Assignment of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field and whose Variable Field consists of identical alphanumeric characters, if the second level of the latter (i.e. of the second .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field) is composed using some other Public .gr Domain Name.
- 5. Every .gr Domain Name is assigned, used and protected in the form in which it was submitted. Use of the .gr Domain Name by its Holder or with the consent thereof with differentiations of any form, does not constitute use of the specific .gr Domain Name. On the contrary, its use as a component of a .gr 3LD Name with the consent or tolerance of its Holder, under the terms and limitations of this Decision, does constitute use of the .gr Domain Name assigned.
- 6. The Assignment of a .gr 2LD Name does not also constitute Assignment of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field, where the two Variable Fields are identical. Similarly, the Assignment of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field does not also constitute Assignment of a .gr 2LD Name, where the two Variable Fields are identical, nor does it constitute Assignment of a .gr 3LD Name whose third level only is a Variable Field, where, even if the two Variable Fields are identical, the second levels are different.
- 7. The Assignment of .gr Domain Names is governed by the "first come, first served" principle. The right on a .gr Domain Name is acquired as of its Assignment pursuant hereto, but dates back to the time of submission of the Application for Assignment to the Registrar.
- 9. No limit exists as to the number of .gr Domain Names that may be assigned to one person.
- 10. The Holder of a .gr Domain Name does not also acquire, as of the Assignment of the .gr Domain Name pursuant hereto, a right on the distinctive mark of any business, products or services offered by the Holder, such rights being acquired solely in accordance with the provisions in force regarding their acquisition.
- 11. The rights on distinctive marks of businesses (natural or legal persons), products or services or intellectual property rights shall not be limited in any way whatsoever by the provisions hereof.

Public .gr 2LD Names

- 1. By a Decision issued by it, EETT may specify Public .gr 2LD Names on which no one acquires an exclusive right and which may be used, with observance of the provisions hereof, for the Assignment of .gr 3LD Names whose third level only is a Variable Field, to any interested party. The purpose of adopting Public .gr 2LD Names is to facilitate Internet searches, by establishing signs which identify the capacity of the Holder of a specific .gr Domain Name and by grouping them into categories.
- 2. Public .gr 2LD Names are specified by EETT and are contained in <u>Appendix C</u> of this Decision, which constitutes an integral part hereof.
- 3. .gr 3LD Names whose third level only is a Variable Field and whose second level is composed exclusively of the alphanumeric characters composing the sign "gov", preclude as of their Assignment any other person from using the same Variable Field.
- 4. EETT may from time to time modify <u>Appendix C</u>, after a public consultation process is held on such modification.

CHAPTER III

TERMS OF NON ACCEPTANCE – TERMS OF DELETION

Article 5

Grounds for Rejection of an Application for Assignment

- 1. EETT rejects an Application for Assignment in the following cases, which are defined in a restrictive sense and constitute absolute grounds for rejection:
 - (a) If the Application is not complete in accordance with this Decision
 - (b) If, at the time of submission of the Application, a .gr Domain Name similar to that which constitutes the object of the Application has already been assigned to another person. In this case, the applicant may request the deletion of the previous Assignment, if the grounds for such deletion pursuant to this Decision concur
 - (c) If the specific .gr Domain Name is composed of alphanumeric characters that compose a sign which lacks distinctive character or is Public or is a geographical term included in the

Kapodistrias plan. Geographical terms included in the Kapodistrias plan are assigned only to the corresponding Local Authorities, regardless of the way in which such terms are spelt in Latin. In particular, assignment of .gr Domain Names which constitute Internet keywords is not allowed. The words "www", "email" and the country codes as contained in the ISO 3166-1 list of the International Standardisation Organisation are mentioned indicatively. The purpose of this provision is to prevent the assignment of exclusive rights whose extent is not commensurate with the purpose justifying their Assignment on .gr Domain Names pursuant to this Decision, and to restrict such exclusive rights to the extent absolutely suitable for serving the purpose justifying their Assignment on .gr Domain Names pursuant to this Decision.

- (d) If the specific .gr Domain Name is composed of alphanumeric characters that compose a sign whose Assignment is contrary to public order and moral considerations.
- (e) If the specific .gr Domain Name is composed of alphanumeric characters that compose a sign whose Assignment is contrary to good faith.
- (f) If the specific .gr Domain Name is composed of alphanumeric characters that constitute a sign and official stamp of the Hellenic State and of the other States mentioned in article 6 (iiiter of the Paris Convention on Industrial Property, as well as a sign of great symbolic significance, especially religious symbols and words.
- (g) If the Variable Field of the specific .gr Domain Name is identical to the Variable Field of a .gr Domain Name that has already been assigned and whose second level is composed of the alphanumeric characters "gov".
- (h) If the same person has submitted an Application for the same .gr Domain Name to more than one Registrars. In such a case, all relevant applications are rejected.
- (i) If the same person resubmits an Application that has been rejected or a .gr Domain Name that has been deleted, as described in this Decision, to the same or to another Registrar, without there being a reason justifying such new Application for Assignment.
- 2. EETT rejects an Application for Assignment in the following cases, which are defined in a restrictive sense and constitute relative grounds for rejection:
 - (a) If the specific .gr Domain Name is composed of alphanumeric characters that compose a sign that infringes prior rights held by third parties, in accordance with Greek law.

(b) If the Application for Assignment of the specific .gr Domain Name was submitted in bad faith.

Article 6

Grounds for deletion of a .gr Domain Name assigned

- 1. A .gr Domain Name is deleted finally by Decision of EETT, which acts on its own initiative or after submission of a complaint by a third party, every time one or more of the following cases, which are defined in a restrictive sense, occur:
 - (a) If the Holder so requests by submitting an Application to EETT.
 - (b) Following a final public authority or Court decision enforceable in Greece or following a corresponding decision of an arbitration body enforceable in Greece, which recognises in accordance with Greek law a prior right held by a third party on the .gr Domain Name using which the .gr Domain Name is composed, partially or entirely.
 - (c) If a reason concurs which would not allow the Assignment of the specific .gr Domain Name pursuant to article 5 above. By way of exception from this provision, .gr Domain Names that have been assigned by the time of entry into force of this Decision shall remain in effect and shall be renewed, regardless of whether they are potentially contrary to article 5 of this Decision.
 - (d) If the .gr Domain Name is not used on the Internet for two (2) consecutive years.
 - (e) In the event that the Holder has submitted false or inaccurate data or has not seen to it that any potential modification to such data, which has taken place pursuant hereto, is notified in good time.
 - (f) In the event that the Holder has proceeded to use the .gr Domain Name in a manner which contravenes the principles of good faith or is in bad faith, and especially when the Holder has allowed or tolerated the use by a third party of the same .gr Domain Name or of a .gr 3LD Name or .gr name in a lower-level domain, composed using the .gr Domain Name assigned to the Holder, in a manner that would constitute ground for deletion of the .gr Domain Name pursuant to this article.
 - (g) In the event that the Holder is a legal person and is dissolved, provided that the relevant .gr Domain Name has not been transferred pursuant hereto.
- 2. A .gr Domain Name is provisionally deactivated in the event of a Court order, enforceable in Greece, to refrain temporarily from using it, until

- the issue of a public authority or Court decision enforceable in Greece or of an arbitration decision enforceable in Greece.
- 3. In the event that a .gr Domain Name is deleted or provisionally deactivated, .gr 3LD Names or .gr names in lower-level domains having the deleted or provisionally deactivated .gr Domain Name as their component cease to be used or are provisionally deactivated, as the case may be.

CHAPTER IV REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Article 7

Procedure for Registration and Assignment of .gr Domain Names

- 1. Every person wishing to be assigned a specific .gr Domain Name must fill in and submit an Application for Assignment in printed form, providing all information necessary for this purpose together with the relevant legalising documents. The Application for Assignment is based on a relevant model form available from the EETT web pages. The Application is accompanied by the corresponding fees, which the Registrar specifies at his absolute discretion and which include the lawful fees as these are imposed by EETT from time to time.
- 2. The Application for Assignment is accompanied by a Solemn Declaration by the Registrant, stating that to the best of the Registrant's knowledge the Domain Name applied for does not infringe any rights held by third parties.
- 3. Applications for Assignment are submitted by the applicants requesting assignment of the .gr Domain Name to one of the Registrars included in the Table of Registrars which EETT keeps, publishes and modifies from time to time.
- 4. The Registrar promptly notifies to the Registry the full data of the Application, by way of electronic means over the Internet and using an application which is suitable for this purpose (e.g. electronic mail, Registry-provided Worldwide Web application). The application allows identification of the Registrar and of the Registry and ensures non-falsification of the data exchanged between them, through the use of advanced electronic signatures that are based on a recognised security certificate and are created by a secure signature creation device.
- 5. The Registry promptly assigns to each Application a protocol number showing the date and time (hours and minutes) of submission of the

- Application, and certifies the submission of the specific Application with the specific protocol number, date and time (hours and minutes) of submission
- 6. By way of electronic means over the Internet and using the application under paragraph 4 of this article, the Registry notifies to the Registrar the Application data, the protocol number, and the date and time (hours and minutes) of submission of the Application.
- 7. The Registrar supplies the Registrant with a document in proof of the submission of the Application, showing the protocol number, date and time (hours and minutes) of submission of the Application, as such information has been sent by the Registry.
- 8. The Registry promptly investigates whether the Application concerns a gr Domain Name identical to another name which has been assigned or for which an Application has been submitted by another person but Assignment has not yet taken place and, provided that no such case occurs, activates provisionally the .gr Domain Name which constitutes the subject of the Application and publishes the Application on the web pages of the Registry with the indication "provisional activation". The exclusive right on the Domain Name is not acquired by the provisional activation.
- 9. After submission of the Application, the Registrar investigates whether the Assignment of the .gr Domain Name which is the subject of the Application comes under any of the absolute grounds for non-Assignment pursuant to article 5 of this Decision.
- 10. Within an exclusive deadline of three (3) days from submission of the Application, the Registrar forwards the Application for Assignment of a .gr Domain Name to EETT by way of electronic means over the Internet, certifying at the same time the payment of the lawful fees by the Registrant, using an application suitable for this purpose which allows identification of the Registrar and ensures non-falsification of data through the use of advanced electronic signature that is based on a recognised security certificate and is created by a secure signature creation device. The Application is accompanied by a report in which the Registrar recommends Assignment or non-Assignment of the specific .gr Domain Name. By way of exception from the above, in the event that the Registrar is informed by the Registry that another already assigned .gr Domain Name, with which the Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application is identical, does exist, then the Registrar must notify EETT within 24 hours from receiving such information at the latest. In all cases, the Registrar keeps the original documents that accompany the Application. Keeping of the original documents constitutes an obligation of the Registrar.
- 11. If the Registrar does not proceed to the above actions or proceeds to them at a time which exceeds the deadline prescribed, EETT informs the

- Registry accordingly, the Domain Name is deactivated and the Application is rejected automatically due to Registrar fault.
- 12. Within an exclusive deadline of fifteen (15) days from forwarding of the Application by the Registrar to EETT, EETT proceeds to either assign the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application or reject the relevant Application. In the event that the aforementioned exclusive deadline expires without a Decision being issued by EETT, the Assignment is deemed to have taken place. The report of the Registrar is not binding on EETT, which may in its opinion adopt a different decision.
- 13. Within seven (7) days from the provisional activation of the .gr Domain Name performed by the Registry pursuant to this article, any person having legitimate interest may intervene in the procedure before EETT and request non-Assignment of the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application. In this case, the deadline of paragraph 12 of this article ceases to apply until the issue of a final public authority or Court decision enforceable in Greece or of an arbitration decision enforceable in Greece.
- 14. In the event that a Court decision, enforceable in Greece, is issued, requesting discontinuation of the provisional activation of the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application, EETT notifies the relevant decision to the Registry, which discontinues the provisional activation of the Domain Name. For the purposes hereof, the meaning of Court decision includes interim orders.
- 15. The Decision issued by EETT pursuant to paragraph 12 of this article or the decision of a Court, public authority or arbitration pursuant to paragraph 13 of this article, is promptly notified by EETT to the Registry, which proceeds promptly to publish either the Assignment or the rejection of the Application, as instructed by EETT each time.
- 16. The .gr Domain Name is activated finally as of its publication in the Registry which follows its Assignment.
- 17. In the event that EETT rejects the Application for Assignment of a .gr Domain Name, its provisional activation is terminated and the Registry promptly proceeds to deactivate it.

Modifications of Assignment Data

- 1. Holders of .gr Domain Names have the right to change the data concerning the .gr Domain Names assigned to them.
- 2. Changes in the data are carried out through the Registrars.

- 3. The Registrar takes delivery of the Application submitted by the Holder, together with the corresponding legalising documents in the case of a legal person. The Registrar promptly informs the Registry. The Registry promptly updates its records with the .gr Domain Name data which have been modified and proceeds to make the corresponding technical changes in the Name Servers, if necessary.
- 4. The Holder must see to it that he notifies all modifications that have taken place as described herein, within seven (7) days from modification of the data contained in his Application.

Change of Registrar

- 1. The Holder of a .gr Domain Name may, if he so wishes, change Registrar at any time.
- 2. In such a case, the procedure outlined below is followed:
 - (a) The Registrant fills in and submits to the Registrar of his choice an Application whereby the Registrant requests the transfer to that Registrar of all data concerning the Assignment of the specific .gr Domain Name and the assignment to the specific Registrar of all Registrar activities in connection with the specific .gr Domain Name. Together with his Application, the Registrant also submits the data of his previous Registrar.
 - (b) The new Registrar verifies the identity of the person requesting the change and, in the case of a legal person, checks that the Application is signed by the legal representative of such person. If it is ascertained that the person requesting the change is not the .gr Domain Name Holder or a legal representative thereof, then the Application is rejected.
 - (c) The new Registrar then promptly informs the previous Registrar that an Application for Change of Registrar has been submitted by the .gr Domain Name Holder.
 - (d) The previous Registrar checks whether the Registrant has fulfilled his financial obligations in connection with the .gr Domain Name.
 - (e) If the financial obligations in connection with the .gr Domain Name have not been fulfilled, then the previous Registrar promptly informs the Registrar who has taken delivery of the Application, and the Application is rejected.
 - (f) If the financial obligations in connection with the .gr Domain Name have been fulfilled, then the previous Registrar promptly dispatches to the new Registrar all documents kept in connection

- with the .gr Domain Name Holder, and ceases to use the data of the Holder in printed or electronic form, unless the Registrar has obtained for this purpose the prior consent of the Holder in accordance with the legislation in force.
- (g) In the event that the previous Registrar does not promptly dispatch the relevant documents, then the new Registrar or the Registrant inform EETT of the conduct of the previous Registrar. The previous Registrar is entitled to refuse to dispatch the data only in case the Holder has not fulfilled all of his financial obligations in connection with the Domain Name.
- 3. The new Registrar may refuse to provide his services only on grounds concerning the due submission of the Application or the existence of outstanding financial issues with the previous Registrar in connection with the Domain Name. The Registrant informs EETT of all cases of unreasonable refusal.
- 4. The new Registrar may require the Registrant to pay fees for the procedure for Change of Registrar.
- 5. Upon completion of the procedure for Change of Registrar, the new Registrar notifies the Change to the Registry.

<u>CHAPTER V</u> <u>DURATION OF RIGHT – TRANSFER</u>

Article 10

Duration and Renewal of Assignment

- 1. The right acquired by the Assignment of a .gr Domain Name has a duration of two (2) years from the date of submission of the Application for its Assignment.
- 2. The Assignment may be continuously renewed for successive periods of two (2) years each time. In order for the renewal to take place, a relevant Application must be submitted to the Registrar at the latest thirty (30) days prior to the date of expiry of the period for which the .gr Domain Name has been assigned or renewed, accompanied by the corresponding lawful fees and by the additional fees, if any, that the Registrar may require.
- 3. Within 24 hours, the Registrar must notify to the Registry the Application for Renewal of a .gr Domain Name.
- 4. The renewal is effected with the publication of the Application in the Registry.

5. Upon expiry of the Assignment or renewal period, the .gr Domain Name is deactivated by the Registry without requirement for a prior EETT Decision

Article 11

Transfer of .gr Domain Names

- 1. Transfer of .gr Domain Names is allowed by prior EETT Decision. By the transfer, the transferor divests himself of his right pursuant hereto, such right being acquired by the person to whom the transfer is made.
- 2. Interested parties submit an Application for Transfer to the Registrar of the Holder of the Domain Name under transfer. In addition, they also submit to the Registrar of the Holder all of the following:
 - (a) A declaration by the person to whom the .gr Domain Name is assigned, stating that the declarant transfers the specific .gr Domain Name to the party interested in the transfer. The declaration must be clear and irrevocable, and must not be conditional or made under terms.
 - (b) A declaration by the person to whom the transfer is made, stating that the declarant accepts the transfer.
 - (c) The legalising documents for the person to whom the transfer is made.
 - (d) The lawful fees, as provided for each time, together with the additional fees, if any, that the Registrar requires for the transfer.
- 3. Within an exclusive deadline of three (3) days from submission of the Application for Transfer, the Registrar forwards the Application to EETT by way of electronic means over the Internet, using an application suitable for this purpose which allows identification of the Registrar and ensures non-falsification of data through the use of advanced electronic signature that is based on a recognised security certificate and is created by a secure signature creation device, certifying at the same time the payment of the lawful fees by the Registrant. The Application is accompanied by a report of the views of the Registrar concerning whether the conditions for transfer are met, in accordance with paragraph 2 above. The original documents are kept by the Registrar. Within seven (7) from receipt of the Application, EETT accepts or rejects the Application by issuing a relevant Decision and, in case of acceptance, promptly informs the Registry of this. The Application for Transfer is rejected only if the Application has not been duly made or if the declaration by the transferor is not adequate, in accordance with paragraph 2 of this article. In case of idle expiry of the deadline of seven days, the Application is deemed to have been accepted.

4. In case the Transferor has allowed or tolerated the use of the .gr Domain Name which has been assigned to him and is being transferred as a component of a .gr 3LD Name or of a .gr name in a lower-level domain, the Transferor continues to be liable for the use made by the person(s) whom he has consented or tolerated to use the .gr 3LD Name or the .gr name in a lower-level domain which is composed using the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the transfer.

<u>CHAPTER VI</u> PROVISIONS REGARDING THE REGISTRY

Article 12

Obligations of the Registry

- 1. The Registry acts on the basis of the framework agreed with and approved by EETT, and in accordance with the principles regarding non-discrimination, transparency and impartiality.
- 2. The Registry activates finally the .gr Domain Names assigned, after these have been notified by EETT and in such form as provided for by EETT from time to time.
- 3. The Registry activates provisionally or deactivates provisionally the .gr Domain Names, as and when provided for by this Decision and in such form as provided for by EETT from time to time.
- 4. The Registry keeps a file of .gr Domain Names, which contains the data related to the Activation/Assignment of .gr Domain Names and used to ascertain the time-sequence of applications, the identity of beneficiaries, the time of Activation, the time and act of Assignment or other acts, as provided for in this Decision, as well as the identity of the Registrar who intervened for the act and the description of the .gr Domain Name.
- 5. The Registry file is kept in electronic format as a minimum, using a suitably configured database. The Registry is under obligation to export these data from the database following a relevant request by EETT and in a suitable electronic format to be specified by EETT.
- 6. The Registry file is available on-line, so that access to it by EETT at any time is ensured. The access means are mutually agreed between the Registry and EETT.
- 7. Subject to any personal data of applicants who have requested their data not to be published, all data in the Registry are published.
- 8. The Registry assumes the responsibility for proper operation, management and technical support of the Name Servers which are

- necessary for the .gr TLD, whether such servers are located in Greece or abroad, and for continuous modernisation of the system, so that meeting all future needs of the .gr TLD is guaranteed.
- 9. The Registry is under obligation to export the data kept in the Zone Files of the primary Name Server for the .gr TLD, following a relevant request by EETT and in a suitable electronic format to be specified by EETT.
- 10. The Registry undertakes to create, manage and operate a web site for providing Internet users with information on the procedures regarding .gr Domain Names, and for making available to Internet users a public search service for .gr Domain Names.
- 11. The Registry undertakes to establish, manage and operate the necessary infrastructure (web site, e-mail service, switchboard etc.) and to develop the suitable software, so that EETT and the Registrars may proceed to the actions required pursuant to this Decision using secure methods.
- 12. The Registry does not act as a Registrar.
- 13. EETT may at its discretion either maintain the Registry itself or assign its maintenance, through a tender process, to some other legal person.
- 14. In the event that the maintenance of the Registry is assigned by EETT to third parties, the data kept by the Registry shall in their entirety be the property of EETT and shall be made available to EETT in electronic format whenever EETT may request them, and in all cases after the expiry of the assignment by EETT to the specific legal person regarding maintenance of the Registry, regardless of the reason for such expiry.

CHAPTER VII PROVISIONS REGARDING REGISTRARS

Article 13

Operation of Registrars

- 1. Registrars are legal persons meeting the specifications set by EETT from time to time and mentioned in <u>Appendix B</u> of this Decision, as in force each time. The Registrars may also be foreign legal persons having their registered office in a Member State of the European Union and operating under the laws of a Member State of the European Union and having an establishment in Greece.
- 2. Legal persons wishing to become Registrars and meeting the requirements of <u>Appendix B</u>, submit to EETT a simple Notification. The Notification contains as a minimum the information contained in

- <u>Appendix B.</u> The Notification is accompanied by a Solemn Declaration of their legal representative, stating that they fully accept their obligations and that they fully meet the criteria deriving from this EETT Decision. A model Notification form is available from the EETT web pages.
- 3. EETT notifies promptly all Notifications to the Registry and publishes them on the EETT web pages. The person making the notification may act as Registrar as of the date of publication of the notice to the Registry.

Obligations of Registrars

- 1. The relations of Registrars with applicants and with other Registrars are governed by the principles of good faith and moral considerations, and by the overall spirit of this Decision and of the legislation on competition and on consumer protection.
- 2. Registrars are under obligation to maintain a file containing all original documents that Registrants submit to them from time to time, the corresponding receipts for the payment of fees as well as all other documents sent to the Registrar by the Registry or by EETT concerning the corresponding .gr Domain Name. EETT may at any time require Registrars to furnish any of the original documents kept by them concerning .gr Domain Names. Registrars forward the requested documents to EETT within twenty-four (24) hours.
- 3. To the extent possible, the file of the Registrar is also kept in electronic format, using a suitably configured database. The Registrar is under obligation to export these data from the database following a relevant request by EETT and in a suitable electronic format to be specified by EETT.
- 4. Registrars are under obligation to proceed to all actions required in accordance with this Regulation within the deadlines prescribed by this Regulation.
- 5. Registrars are under obligation to inform .gr Domain Name Holders of any information that has been notified to them by the Registry or by EETT and concerns their corresponding .gr Domain Names.
- 6. If so requested, Registrars are under obligation to take all necessary steps in accordance with this Decision for providing service to Registrants. Registrars are prohibited from applying practices preventing Registrants to contact freely any Registrar of their choice or to replace the Registrar that they use.
- 7. Registrars are under obligation to pay to EETT the lawful fees as specified by EETT from time to time, in accordance with this Decision.

- 8. Registrars are under obligation to have available, and see to the proper operation of, their own Name Servers (at least two) for providing service to Registrants, if Registrants so wish, as well as for connecting these servers to the Internet Domain Name System over the network.
- 9. Registrars are under obligation to have available the necessary material infrastructure, so that they may communicate with the Registry using all methods available by the Registry in order to provide services in connection with applications submitted by Registrants.
- 10. Registration and renewal of .gr Domain Names on the initiative of the Registrar, without the prior written Application by the Registrant, is prohibited.
- 11. A Registrar is allowed to also be a Registrant only if the .gr Domain Names applied for are for its own use only. In any case, Registrars should not abuse this right by seeking assignment to themselves of an unduly large number of .gr Domain Names.
- 12. Registrars do not refuse the provision of services for Assignment of .gr Domain Names without reasonable cause.
- 13. In the event that a Registrar wishes to cease operating as such, then the Registrar must inform at least ninety (90) days in advance the Registry, EETT and its Registrants, so that they may transfer to another Registrar in time, the Registrar being in addition obliged to take every action needed for such transfer. In case a Holder or Registrant does not collect the documents that regard him within the above deadline and does not specify another Registrar within the same deadline, the Registrar destroys the documents and informs EETT, which revokes the Assignment and directs the Registry to proceed to the deactivation of the .gr Domain Name.
- 14. (a) By a Decision issued by EETT, following a hearing held pursuant to the EETT Regulation on Hearings, a Registrar is struck off in case he does not fulfil his obligations in accordance with this Decision and, indicatively, when the lawful fees born by Registrants are not duly paid to EETT, and if Registrars are in breach of the provisions of this Decision, including the principles of good faith and moral considerations, especially with regard to their relations with applicants for .gr Domain Names, and of the principles of the legislation in force regarding competition, consumer protection and the protection of data of a personal nature.
 - (b) Following a Decision issued by EETT, a Registrar is struck off in the event that the Registrar is wound up or placed under compulsory administration or declared bankrupt.
- 15. In the cases of paragraph 14 of this Article, the Registrar is under obligation to deliver immediately the original documents to EETT. At

the same time, EETT duly publishes this event and invites all Holders and Registrants to collect their original documents and select a new Registrar within ninety (90) days from the first publication by EETT. In case a Holder or Registrant does not collect the documents that regard him within the above deadline and does not specify another Registrar within the same deadline, EETT destroys the documents, revokes the Assignment and directs the Registry to proceed to the deactivation of the .gr Domain Name.

- 16. Registrars allow EETT and/or persons as nominated by EETT from time to time to time to visit, following a reasonable advance notice, their premises and check the observance of the obligation of Registrars. Moreover, Registrars supply EETT with all necessary information pertaining to their operation as Registrars.
- 17. In providing their services, Registrars must observe all obligations deriving from this Decision.

CHAPTER VIII DATA PROTECTION

Article 15

Data Protection

- 1. Personal data of natural persons who are Domain Name Holders are not published in cases where a prior explicit refusal thereto by the beneficiary exists. By way of exception from the above, EETT discloses in all cases the data of a beneficiary against whom a third party wishes to initiate proceedings.
- 2. Subject to the provisions of the legislation in force concerning the protection of personal data, Registrars gather data of a personal nature on the applicants for assignment of a Domain Name only to the extent to which such data are necessary for the Application for Assignment of the Domain Name. According to the legislation in force, collection or processing of data of a personal nature for other purposes without the consent of the person concerned is prohibited.

CHAPTER IX

FEES

Article 16

Fees for Assignment and Use of Domain Names

- 1. Registrants are under obligation to pay to EETT fees for services related to .gr Domain Names, the amount of which is proportional to the costs incurred by EETT for the management of .gr Domain Names.
- 2. By a Decision issued by it, EETT specifies the fees that Registrars are to collect from Registrants and pay to EETT for the services regarding Assignment, Renewal and Transfer of .gr Domain Names.
- 3. Registrars pay the fees due to EETT in aggregate, on the first working day of each month for the fees due for the previous month.
- 4. In addition to the lawful fees specified by EETT, Registrars may collect from Registrants additional fees for the services provided to them. The additional fees are specified by each Registrar, but their maximum amount is specified by a Decision of EETT.
- 5. By a Decision issued by it, EETT may adjust the amount of the fees under paragraphs 2 and 4 of this Article. The time elapsing between the publication of the Decision and its entry into force may not be less than three (3) months.

CHAPTER X EXERCISE OF SUPERVISION

Article 17

Exercise of Supervision

- 1. EETT supervises the Assignment procedure, with the aim to ensure the application of this Decision, of the relevant regulatory framework and of the legislation on consumer protection and on competition.
- 2. The Registry and the Registrars must provide all relevant information which EEET deems necessary for managing Internet domain names or for statistical purposes.
- 3. The Registry is under obligation to compile and submit to EETT a Quarterly Report of Activities that contains qualitative and quantitative

data concerning the management of the .gr TLD, as such contents are specified from time to time by EETT.

4. The Quarterly Report must be submitted in both electronic and printed format. The Quarterly Report contains information related to the following categories, indicatively:

(a) <u>.gr Domain Name Holders</u>

The total number of .gr Domain Name Holders is reported for the period up to the end of the Quarter being reported, broken down by Registrar, together with the number of .gr Domain Name Holders that have been added to the database of the Registry during the same period.

(b) Domain Names

The total number of .gr Domain Names that have been assigned up to the end of the previous Quarter is reported, together with the number of the .gr Domain Names assigned, deleted, expired or renewed during the corresponding period. These figures are also broken down by Registrar.

(c) Activity of Name Servers

The total number of applications submitted to the Name Servers of the Registry for the period up to the end of the previous Quarter is given. This number is also broken down by Second-Level Domain (2LD) for the Public 2LD Names instituted by EETT, as these are specified in <u>Appendix C</u> of this Decision.

- 5. Every year, Registrars submit to EETT, prior to January 31st, an annual report on the registrations of names during the previous calendar year. The annual report is submitted in electronic as well as in printed format. The annual report contains information related to the following indices, indicatively:
 - (a) The number of .gr Domain Names which the Registrar manages and which are assigned by EETT.
 - (b) The number of .gr Domain Names which the Registrar was managing and whose Assignment expired during the previous year without Renewal by their Holders.
 - (c) The number of .gr Domain Name Holders that the specific Registrar provides services to.
 - (d) The number of .gr Domain Holders that have been added or deleted during the previous year for the specific Registrar.
- 6. The information produced must be up-to-date and must correspond to the actual status of the Domain Names assigned as at the time of submission of the report.

7. EETT may disclose information which is necessary in the fulfilment of its obligations, with due respect to the principle of proportionality and to professional secrecy.

CHAPTER XI USE OF 3LD NAMES

Article 18

Use of 3LD Names or of Names in Lower-Level Domains without Assignment

- 1. No Assignment is required for 3LD Names or names in a lower-level domain which are composed by .gr 3LD Names whose third level only is a Variable Field.
- 2. The Holder of every Domain Name may allow the use by third parties of the .gr Domain Name assigned to the Holder, under the following conditions:
 - (a) The Holder is solely responsible for the activation, with his consent or tolerance, of a 3LD Name or of a name in a lower-level domain, which includes the .gr Domain Name assigned to the Holder.
 - (b) The Holder is under obligation to see to it that he does not allow activation of a 3LD Name or of a name in a lower-level domain, which includes the .gr Domain Name assigned to the Holder, in cases that would constitute grounds for non-acceptance of the Application for Assignment pursuant to this Decision, and that he enforces discontinuation of the use whenever a ground for the deletion of the use pursuant to this Decision occurs.
 - (c) The Holder must have available the corresponding infrastructure for achieving the above.
- 3. The right acquired by a third party from the Holder does not constitute Assignment in accordance with this Decision.
- 4. In the event that the .gr Domain Name of the Holder is deleted, use of all Domain Names whose operation is based on the specific .gr Domain pursuant to this article is discontinued
- 5. The Holder must inform in writing any interested party of the rights acquired pursuant to this Decision.

CHAPTER XII

FINAL AND INTERIM PROVISIONS

Article 19

Final and Interim Provisions

- 1. Within thirty (30) days from publication hereof, EETT announces whether or not it shall proceed to assign the maintenance of the Registry to another legal person.
- 2. For a period of twelve (12) months, in the event that EETT maintains itself the Registry, or otherwise up to the assignment of the Registry to a legal person, following a competitive procedure, and to the activation of the Registry, the Foundation for Research and Technology Hellas Institute of Computer Science (FORTH-ICS) continues to operate as up to the publication hereof.
- 3. The provisions of articles 1 to 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 (with the exception of paragraph 8), 15, 17 and 18 apply immediately as of the publication hereof. The provisions of articles 7, 9, 11, 13 and 16 do not apply during the transition period specified in paragraph 2 of this article.
- 4. By way of exception from paragraph 12 under Article 12 of this Decision, the Foundation for Research and Technology Hellas -Institute of Computer Science (FORTH-ICS) operates as Registrar until a new Decision is issued by EETT. For the period of time during which FORTH-ICS operates as Registrar, the procedure followed for the Assignment of .gr Domain Names is the one given below:
 - (a) Every person wishing to be assigned a specific .gr Domain Name must fill in and submit to FORTH-ICS an Application for Assignment. The Application is accompanied by the corresponding fees, which are specified by FORTH-ICS.
 - (b) Every person wishing to be assigned a specific .gr Domain Name, supplies to FORTH-ICS all information necessary for this purpose and the relevant legalising documents within forty-five (45) days from the date of submission of the Application. The legalising documents are accompanied by a Solemn Declaration by the person applying for the assignment, stating that to the best of the applicant's knowledge the Domain Name applied for does not infringe any rights held by third parties.
 - (c) Following the submission of the Application, FORTH-ICS investigates whether the Assignment of the .gr Domain Name which is the subject of the Application comes under any of the absolute grounds for non-Assignment pursuant to article 5 of this

- Decision. If no such case occurs, FORTH-ICS activates provisionally the .gr Domain Name which constitutes the subject of the Application and publishes the Application on its Web pages with the indication "provisional activation". The exclusive right on the Domain Name is not acquired by the provisional activation.
- Within an exclusive deadline of fifty-two (52) days from (d) submission of the Application for Assignment, FORTH-ICS forwards the Application for Assignment of a .gr Domain Name to EETT. The Application is accompanied by a report in which FORTH-ICS recommends Assignment or non-Assignment of the specific .gr Domain Name. By way of exception from the above, in the event that FORTH-ICS ascertains that another already assigned .gr Domain Name, with which the Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application is identical, does exist, then FORTH-ICS must notify EETT within 72 hours from submission of the Application at the latest. The Application for Assignment of a .gr Domain Name and the accompanying report are forwarded by FORTH-ICS to EETT using an advanced electronic signature that is based on a recognised security certificate and is created by a secure signature creation device, allowing identification of FORTH-ICS and ensuring nonfalsification of the data received by EETT. In all cases, FORTH-ICS keeps the original documents that accompany the Application. Keeping of the original documents constitutes an obligation of FORTH-ICS.
- (e) If FORTH-ICS does not proceed to the above actions or proceeds to them at a time which exceeds the deadline prescribed or is unable to proceed to them due the fact that the procedure with the party interested in being assigned a .gr Domain Name has not been concluded, the Domain Name is deactivated and the Application is rejected automatically.
- (f) Within thirty (30) days from forwarding of the Application of Assignment by FORTH-ICS to EETT, EETT proceeds to either assign the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application or to reject the relevant Application. The report of FORTH-ICS is not binding on EETT, which may in its opinion adopt a different decision.
- (g) Within seven (7) days from the provisional activation of the .gr Domain Name performed by FORTH-ICS pursuant to this article, any person having legitimate interest may intervene in the procedure before EETT and request non-Assignment of the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application. In this case, the deadlines of items (d) and (f) under this article cease to apply until the issue of a final public authority or Court decision

- enforceable in Greece or of an arbitration decision enforceable in Greece.
- (h) In the event that a Court decision, enforceable in Greece, is issued, requesting discontinuation of the provisional activation of the .gr Domain Name constituting the subject of the Application, EETT notifies the relevant decision to FORTH-ICS, which discontinues the provisional activation of the Domain Name. For the purposes hereof, the meaning of Court decision includes interim orders.
- (i) The Decision issued by EETT pursuant to item (f) under this article or the decision of a Court, public authority or arbitration pursuant to item (h) under this article, is promptly notified by EETT to FORTH-ICS, which promptly proceeds to publish either the Assignment or the rejection of the Application, as instructed by EETT each time.
- (j) The .gr Domain Name is activated finally as of its publication in FORTH-ICS which follows its Assignment.
- (k) In the event that EETT rejects the Application for Assignment of a .gr Domain Name, its provisional activation is terminated and FORTH-ICS promptly proceeds to deactivate it.
- 5. During the period of time intervening between the conclusion of the competitive procedure for appointment of a Registry for the .gr TLD and the activation of the Registry, FORTH-ICS must facilitate the procedure for transferring the file of Domain Names to EETT in electronic format, based on an internationally acceptable open standard (e.g. XML) to be mutually agreed between EETT and FORTH-ICS. In parallel, FORTH-ICS must transfer to EETT all supporting documents concerning existing registrations.
- 6. The duration of the rights on .gr Domain Names which are assigned or renewed until commencement of the operation of the Registry in accordance with this article, is that foreseen by the provisions applicable until publication hereof.
- 7. Applications for Assignment of Domain Names that were submitted to FORTH-ICS prior to the entry into force of this Decision and are still pending, are handled by FORTH-ICS in accordance with the provisions applicable prior to the publication of this Decision.
- 8. FORTH-ICS immediately converts into "registered" the status of all .gr Domain Names which were under "reserved" status until publication of this Decision and for which no submission of any supporting or legalising document (which might be required for their status to be converted into "registered") is pending, and promptly informs the corresponding beneficiaries.

- 9. Beneficiaries of .gr Domain Names who have acquired or shall acquire relevant rights until the activation of the Registry in accordance with this article, select a Registrar of their choice.
- 10. This Regulation governs all Domain Names that have been assigned until its entry into force, regardless of the procedure followed for their assignment. Any provision regulating matters covered by articles 1 to 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 (with the exception of paragraph 8), 15, 17 and 18 of this Decision ceases to apply as of the entry into force of these articles. Any provision regulating matters covered by the other articles and by paragraph 8 under article 8 of this Decision, ceases to apply as of their entry into force.
- 11. Until the issue by EETT of a new Decision to the contrary, the current Holder of the [.gov.gr] Public .gr 2LD Name acts as Registry and Registrar for the [.gov.gr] Public .gr 2LD Name, and the provisions of this Decision which apply to FORTH-ICS also apply analogously to such Holder.
- 12. Sixty (60) days prior to the activation of the Registry at the latest, EETT invites all entities meeting the requirements of Appendix B to express their interest to undertake Registrar activities, by submitting a relevant Notification as specified in this Decision. In the event that no body expresses interest, then EETT acts as Registrar or may assign this role to the Registry.

Entry into force

The present Regulation enters into force as of the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Characteristics of Name Servers for Domain Names under the .gr TLD

- 1. Each .gr Domain Name under the .gr TLD must be served by a minimum of two (2) Name Servers. These servers return NS Records containing the corresponding information for all Name Servers serving the specific Domain Name under the .gr TLD.
- 2. Name Servers return MX (Mail Exchange) records for every Domain Name under the .gr TLD that they serve. The electronic mail servers which are associated with these records and are used by the Holder of the Domain Name under the .gr TLD, have been configured so as to accept electronic mail messages sent to the corresponding Domain Name.
- 3. For every Domain Name under the .gr TLD which they serve, Name Servers return SOA (Start of Authority) records which conform to the following specifications:
 - (a) The "MNAME" field contains the name of the primary Name Server for the Domain Name under the .gr TLD.
 - (b) The "RNAME" field contains a functional electronic mail address.
 - (c) Serial numbers and timers adhere to the principles of the Internet Domain Names in such a way so as not to exhibit significant deviations from such principles.

Criteria to be met by Registrars

Registrars must:

- 1. Be legal persons of any form whatsoever, established under and governed by the laws of a Member State of the EU.
- 2. Possess the building facilities, human resources and information systems infrastructure enabling them to respond duly to their obligations as Registrars, in accordance with this Decision.
- 3. Have available, and see to the proper operation of, their own Name Servers (at least two) for providing service to Registrants, if Registrants so wish, as well as for connecting these servers to the Internet Domain Name System over the network.
- 4. Have available, and see to the proper operation of, the hardware and software used for maintaining the file containing the data of the Registrants that they provide service to.
- 5. Have available human resources that correspond to the number of Registrants they anticipate they shall be providing service to, so that they are able to ensure smooth processing and checking of the Applications for Assignment within the times prescribed by the Regulation.
- 6. Have available an integrated plan for the timely transfer to other Registrar(s) or to EETT of the file containing information on the Registrants they provide service to, in case they change their scope of activity or discontinue their operation, so that uninterrupted provision of Internet Domain Name services to such Registrants is ensured.
- 7. EETT may issue Codes of Conduct, compliance with which shall be mandatory for Registrars, or may specify minimum infrastructure requirements, with due observance of the provisions of the Greek and EU legislation.

Appendix C

Public .gr 2LD Names

3LD Names may be assigned under the following available 2LD Names:

- (a) com.gr for companies and commercial organisations;
- (b) edu.gr for educational organisations;
- (c) net.gr for Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and network providers;
- (d) org.gr for organisations;
- (e) gov.gr for exclusive use by governmental organisations.

Interested parties belonging to the above categories are advised to apply for assignment of Domain Names in the corresponding Second-Level Domains (2LDs).

The present Regulation to be published in the Government Gazette.

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