

**INDEPENDENT REVIEW PROCESS (IRP)  
INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ICDR)**

ICDR Case No. 50 117 T 00247 14

In the matter of an Independent Review Process

Between:

**BOOKING.COM B.V.**

Claimant

- and -

**INTERNET CORPORATION FOR ASSIGNED NAMES AND NUMBERS**

Respondent

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**PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 1  
(Procedural Timetable)**

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IRP Panel: Hon. A Howard Matz  
David H. Bernstein  
Stephen L. Drymer (President)

22 August 2014

### Procedural Order No. 1

1. The present Independent Review Process (“**IRP**”) arises pursuant to Article IV, Section 3 of the Bylaws of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (“**ICANN**”; “**ICANN Bylaws**”). In accordance with the ICANN Bylaws, the conduct of this IPR is governed by the International Arbitration Rules (“**Rules**”) of the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (“**ICDR**”) as supplemented by the Supplementary Procedures for Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Independent Review Process (“**Supplementary Procedures**”).
2. On 18 March 2014 Booking.com submitted a Request for Independent Review Process (“**Request**”) in respect of ICANN’s treatment of Claimant’s application for the generic top-level domain string **.hotels**.
3. On 25 April 2014 ICANN submitted a Response to ICANN’s Request (“**Response**”).
4. The IRP Panel (“**Panel**”) having been duly constituted, the Panel convened a preparatory conference with the parties on 21 August 2014 (by conference call) for the purpose of discussing organisational matters, including a timetable for any further written statements or oral argument.
5. Having heard the parties and deliberated, the Panel establishes the following Procedural Timetable for the IRP:

#### PROCEDURAL TIMETABLE

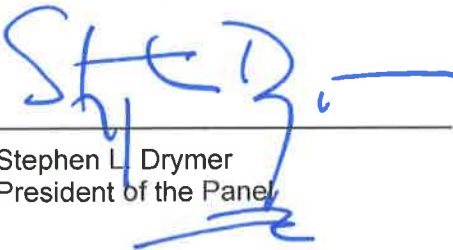
| ACTION                                                                                                                       | DATE                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Booking.com files its Reply to ICANN’s Response (“ <b>Reply</b> ”)                                                           | On or before<br>6 October 2014   |
| ICANN files its Sur-Reply to Booking.com’s Reply (“ <b>Sur-Reply</b> ”)                                                      | On or before<br>20 November 2014 |
| Telephone Hearing – as requested by the parties – limited to brief oral argument and answers to any questions from the Panel | To be determined                 |

6. Claimant’s Reply shall be limited to 20 pages (double-spaced, 12 point font) and shall only address two issues raised in Respondent’s Response: (1) the nature and scope of the IRP requested; (2) the nature of the relief sought by Claimant.
7. Respondent’s Sur-Reply, which shall also be limited to 20 pages (double-spaced, 12 point font), shall address only the issues raised in the Reply.

8. References to the materials cited in support of the allegations and arguments in Claimant's Reply and Respondent's Sur-Reply shall be as precise and specific as possible (e.g., page number, paragraph number, etc.). The parties shall not re-submit materials previously cited or submitted.
9. Oral argument during the telephone hearing shall be limited to 20 minutes for each party (including time spent answering questions from the Panel), subject to the Panel's right to extend the time as it deems appropriate and any right of reply or sur-reply as the Panel may order at that time.
10. The telephone hearing will take place prior to 19 December 2014, on a date to be determined after consultation with the parties and after receipt of the Respondent's Sur-Reply.
11. The terms of this Procedural Order, including the Procedural Timetable, may be varied by the Panel on its own motion or upon application by a party.

Signed on behalf of the Panel

DATE: 22 August 2014



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Stephen L. Drymer  
President of the Panel