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Proposal Policy Development Process in the AfriNIC Service region

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Incentive

When you ask people to read a proposal, they're busy; they're careless; they think, "Well, a lot of people are reading this proposal, so it doesn't make any difference."

Adapted from Judging Books by Their Covers
By Richard P. Feynman

Switching from Implicit Mode

document what is done

document how we do it

Principles

- Openness
- Transparency
- Fairness

Scope

- Internet number resource policies

Policy Development

- Anyone may participate via the Internet or in person
- Resource Policy Discussion mailing list
- Public Policy Meeting

Draft Policy

Anyone can write a proposal

At least four weeks for review

Discussed at a Public Policy Meeting

Final review

Approval

Emergency

The process outlined may vary in the case of an emergency

Review shall not be less than four weeks

Conflict Resolution

- Appeal
- Recall the Chair

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Changes from version 3

Added a requirement in Section 5.1 for a draft policy to be posted to the Resource Policy Discussion mailing list
Section 5.2 only specifies that a draft policy is discussed at a Public Policy Meeting
Reconsideration removed from Section 7
Fixed typo for RFC 2026

Changes from version 2

Section 4 changed so that replacement of a Chair is done by Working Group instead of Board of Directors
Section 4 clarifies that Chair is selected by the AfriNIC community
Section 5.4 changed so that Board of Directors can only approve a policy
Appeal committee in Section 6 handled by a future appeal body set up by AfriNIC
Added requirements for appeal in Section 6
Recall committee in Section 6 appointed by Board of Directors
Board of Directors can request variance
Qualified the word community throughout the proposal
Section 3 clarifies that policies are developed by the Internet community
OPM changed to PPM
Added Implementation sub-section
Added Acknowledgements section

What could go wrong?

- Unreachable chairs
- Author does not compromise
- Lazy community
- Bad implementation
- Politics

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Thank you

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