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ICANN Final Determination

Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .sapo

On 19 January 2018, MEO Servicos de Comunicacoes e Multimedia, S.A. [notified ICANN](#) of its intent to terminate the .sapo Registry Agreement entered into on 07 November 2014. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, Registry Operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN consulted with MEO Servicos de Comunicacoes e Multimedia, S.A. to assess whether to transition operation of the .sapo top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 14 March 2018, ICANN made a preliminary determination that operation of the .sapo TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:

1. .sapo qualifies as a .Brand TLD.
2. Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.

On 13 April 2018, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, no comments were received. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, ICANN will proceed to terminate the .sapo Registry Agreement by 18 July 2018.

In conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN may not delegate the TLD to a successor registry operator for a period of two years without Registry Operator's consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

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