## **APNIC Policy Proposal**

**Title:** Review of Policy Manual (prop-135?)

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### **Problem Statement:**

Across the years, the APNIC policy manual has been updated by many policy proposals, which sometimes created incoherence's in different part of the manual.

In the proposed solution, they have been tagged under one or several "main" categories, such as:

- Definitions (update or rewording of definitions and terminology)
- Duplicated (content duplicated, merged and/or removed)
- Editorial (rewording without changing the meaning, to improve grammar)
- New (when some new text is needed)
- Operational (clarifications required for operational reasons)
- Removal (text removed, no longer appropriate)
- Typos (typographical errors)

### **Objective of policy change:**

Resolve those issues that are non-contentious. Contentious issues may be discarded from this proposal, and if they still need to be resolved, submitted as independent policy proposals.

### Situation in other regions:

In several regions, small similar corrections have been done, one by one, once discovered, but not a general review of the policy manual. In LACNIC there is on-going work for the same goal as this proposal, but is not yet public.

# **Proposed policy solution:**

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
1.1. Scope	1.1. Scope
The allocation and assignment	The delegation of Internet
of Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6)	Protocol version 6 (IPv6) address
address space.	space.

Explanation: Delegation already includes allocation and assignment, so it can be shortened to coincide with the IPv4 text ("The delegation of Internet Protocol version 4 (IPv4) address space").

Category: Definitions, Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
1.2. Hierarchy of resource	1.2. Hierarchy of resource
distribution	distribution
In this hierarchy, IANA allocates	In this hierarchy, IANA allocates
address space to APNIC, to be	Internet Number Resources (INRs) to
redistributed throughout the Asia	APNIC, to be redistributed throughout
Pacific region. APNIC allocates	the Asia Pacific region. APNIC
address space to Internet Registries	delegates INRs to Internet Registries
(IRs) and also delegates to them, the	(IRs) and the authority to make
authority to make assignments and	assignments and allocations. In some
allocations. In some cases APNIC	cases, APNIC assigns INRs to end-
assigns address space to end-users.	users. National and Local IRs allocate
National and Local IRs allocate and	and assign INRs to their Members and
assign address space to their	customers under the guidance of
Members and customers under the	APNIC and in accordance with the
guidance of APNIC and in accordance	relevant policies and principals
with the relevant policies and principals	described in this document.
described in this document.	

Explanation: Is not just addresses but also ASNs.

Category: Definitions, Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.1. Internet Registry (IR)	2.1. Internet Registry (IR)
An Internet Registry (IR) is an	An Internet Registry (IR) is an
organization that is responsible for	organization that is responsible for
distributing IP address space to its	distributing INRs to its Members or
Members or customers and for	customers and for registering those
registering those distributions. IRs are	distributions. IRs are classified
classified according to their primary	according to their primary function and
function and territorial scope within the	territorial scope within the hierarchical
hierarchical structure depicted in the	structure depicted in the figure 1
figure above.	above.

Explanation: Is not just addresses but also ASNs.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.1.1. Regional Internet	2.1.1. Regional Internet
Registry (RIR)	Registry (RIR)
Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) are	Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) are
established and authorized by their	established and authorized by their
respective regional communities, and	respective regional communities, and
recognized by the IANA to serve and	recognized by the IANA to serve and
represent large geographical regions.	represent large geographical regions.
Their primary role is to manage,	Their primary role is to manage,
distribute, and register public Internet	distribute, and register public INRs
address space within their respective	within their respective region. There
region. There are five RIRs: AFRINIC,	are five RIRs: AFRINIC, APNIC, ARIN,
APNIC, ARIN, LACNIC, and the RIPE	LACNIC, and the RIPE NCC.
NCC.	

Explanation: Is not just addresses but also ASNs.

Category: Definitions, Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.1.2. National Internet	2.1.2. National Internet
Registry (NIR)	Registry (NIR)
National Internet Registries (NIRs) are	National Internet Registries (NIRs) are
established and authorized by their	established and authorized by their
respective regional communities, and	respective regional communities, and
recognized by RIRs to delegate	recognized by RIRs to delegate INRs
address space to their Members or	to their Members or constituents,
constituents, which are generally LIRs	which are generally LIRs organized at
organized at a national level. NIRs are	a national level. NIRs are expected to
expected to apply their policies and	apply their policies and procedures
procedures fairly and equitably to all	fairly and equitably to all Members of
Members of their constituency.	their constituency.

Explanation: Is not just addresses but also ASNs.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.1.3. Local Internet Registry	2.1.3. Local Internet Registry
(LIR)	(LIR)
A Local Internet Registry (LIR) is an IR	A Local Internet Registry (LIR) is an IR
that primarily assigns address space to	that primarily assigns INRs to the
the users of the network services that it	users of the network services that it
provides.	provides.
LIRs are generally Internet Service	
Providers (ISPs), and may assign	LIRs are generally Internet Service
address space to their own network	Providers (ISPs), and may assign INRs
infrastructure and to users of their	to their own network infrastructure and
network services. An LIR's customers	to users of their network services. An

may be other "downstream" ISPs,	LIR's customers may be other
which further assign address space to	"downstream" ISPs, which further
their own customers.	assign INRs to their own customers.

Explanation: Is not just addresses but also ASNs.

Category: Definitions, Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.5. Internet resources	2.5. Internet Number
	Resources (INRs)
Internet resources are public IPv4 and	Internet Number Resources (INRs) are
IPv6 address numbers, Autonomous	public address numbers (IPv4 and
System Numbers, and reverse DNS	IPv6), Autonomous System Numbers,
delegations.	and reverse DNS delegations.

Explanation: Is not just addresses but also ASNs.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.6. Internet Exchange Point	2.6. Internet Exchange Point
(IXP)	(IXP)
An Internet Exchange Point (IX or IXP)	An Internet Exchange Point (IX or IXP)
is a layer 1 and layer 2 network	is network structure that interconnects
structure that interconnects three or	three or more Autonomous Systems
more Autonomous Systems (AS) for	(AS) for the purpose of Internet traffic
the purpose of Internet traffic	interchange.
interchange.	

Explanation: An IX infrastructure may be layer 3 or contain layer 3 elements.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.7. Usage rate	2.7. IPv4 Usage rate
Usage rate is the rate at which the LIR	Usage rate is the rate at which the LIR
made delegations from relevant past	made IPv4 delegations from relevant
address space, including Historical	past address space, including
delegations.	Historical delegations.

Explanation: This is only relevant to the measurement of usage of IPv4.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.8. Utilization	2.8. IPv6 Utilization

Explanation: This is only relevant to the measurement of usage of IPv6.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text: Proposed text:	

2.8.1. HD-Ratio	2.8.1. HD-Ratio
Log (number of allocated objects) HD	log(number of allocated objects) HD =
Log (maximum number of allocatable objects)	log(maximum number of allocatable objects)

Explanation: HTTP presentation of the formula is broken.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.9. End site	2.9. End-site
An end site is defined as an end-user (subscriber) who has a business relationship with a service provider that involves:	An End-Site is defined as the location of an End-User (subscriber) who has a business or legal relationship (same or associated entities) with a service provider that involves:
<ul> <li>that service provider assigning address space to the end-user</li> <li>that service provider providing transit service for the end-user to other sites</li> <li>that service provider carrying the end-user's traffic</li> <li>that service provider advertising an aggregate prefix route that contains the end-user's assignment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>that service provider assigning address space to the End-User location</li> <li>that service provider providing transit service for the End-User location to other sites</li> <li>that service provider carrying the End-User's location traffic</li> <li>that service provider advertising an aggregate prefix route that contains the End-User's location assignment</li> </ul>

Explanation: An organization may be a holding of other organizations, and be their "ISP" so it is necessary to include the "legal" relationship. A single "end-user" may have multiple locations, and each location is an End-Site. This is especially relevant for IPv6, where each location will receive, for example, a /48.

Category: New, Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
	2.10. End-User
	Service subscriber or customer from an LIR.

Explanation: Useful definition, which may not be clear for new members. Following text will need to be renumbered accordingly.

Category: Definitions	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.10. aut-num object	2.11. Objects in Whois
	Database
An aut-num object is an object in the	The APNIC and the NIRs Whois

Databases contains records of INRs. Whois database used to register ASN assignment details. For the purposes Each of those records contains a of this document, aut-num object also number of "objects", describing things. refers to the ASN registration objects For example: in NIR databases. • An aut-num object is used to register ASN assignment details. • An inet6num is used to register IPv6 delegation details. • An inetnum is used to register IPv4 delegation details. A complete Whois Guide is maintained by APNIC (https://www.apnic.net/manageip/using-whois/guide/).

Explanation: Clarification of objects, in a more generic way.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
2.12. Transfers	2.13. Transfers
Resource transfers involve the re-	Resource transfers are the re-
allocation of current address blocks (or	delegation of INRs, either within the
ASNs), or the re-allocation of historical	APNIC region (Intra-RIR transfers) or
resources claimed and transferred to	with other regions (Inter-RIR transfers).
an APNIC account.	

Explanation: Rewording to make the text shorter, more comprehensive and match the "Counterpart RIR".

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.0. Policy framework	3.0. Policy framework
IP address space and other number	INRs, are public resources which must
resources, are public resources which	be managed in a prudent manner with
must be managed in a prudent manner	regards to the long-term interests of
with regards to the long-term interests	the Internet. Responsible management
of the Internet. Responsible	involves balancing a set of sometimes
management involves balancing a set	competing goals. The following are the
of sometimes competing goals. The	goals relevant to Internet number
following are the goals relevant to	policy.
Internet number policy.	

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.1.1. Uniqueness	3.1.1. Uniqueness

Every assignment and allocation of address space must be guaranteed as globally unique. This is an absolute requirement for ensuring that every public host on the Internet can be uniquely identified.

Every delegation of INRs must be guaranteed as globally unique. This is an absolute requirement for ensuring that every public host and network on the Internet can be uniquely identified.

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.1.5. Conservation	3.1.5. Conservation
To maximize the lifetime of the	To maximize the lifetime of the
available resource, address space	available INRs, they must be
must be distributed according to actual	distributed according to actual need
need and for immediate use.	and for immediate use. Stockpiling
Stockpiling address space and	INRs and maintaining reservations are
maintaining reservations are contrary	contrary to this goal.
to this goal.	

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.1.6. Fairness	3.1.6. Fairness
All policies and practices relating to the use of public address space should apply fairly and equitably to all existing and potential members of the Internet community, regardless of their location, nationality, size, or any other factor.	All policies and practices relating to the use of INRs should apply fairly and equitably to all existing and potential members of the Internet community, regardless of their location, nationality, size, or any other factor.

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.1.8. Conflict of goals	3.1.8. Conflict of goals
The goals described above will often	The goals described above will often
conflict with each other, or with the	conflict with each other, or with the
needs of individual IRs or end-users.	needs of individual IRs or end-users.
All IRs evaluating requests for address	All IRs evaluating requests for INRs
space must make judgments, seeking	must make judgments, seeking to
to balance the needs of the applicant	balance the needs of the applicant with
with the needs of the Internet	the needs of the Internet community as
community as a whole.	a whole.

Category	: Removal
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.2.1. Routability	3.2.1. Routability
To reduce the number of globally advertised routes, network operators may implement route filtering policies based on prefix length. As a result, small portable assignments are the most likely to suffer routability problems. Therefore, APNIC policies encourage those seeking address space to request from upstream providers rather than from APNIC directly.	

Explanation: It is inappropriate to make this suggestion, because it doesn't work with multihoming and will enforce renumbering with an ISP change. This is especially critical with IPv6.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.2.6. Address ownership	3.2.6. INR ownership
The Internet community regards	The Internet community regards INRs
address space as a scarce, public	as a scarce, public resource that
resource that should only be	should only be distributed according to
distributed according to demonstrated	demonstrated need. ISPs and other
need. ISPs and other organizations	organizations and individuals that use
and individuals that use address space	INRs are considered "custodians"
are considered "custodians" rather	rather than "owners" of the resource.
than "owners" of the resource. As	As INRs becomes scarcer,
address space becomes more scarce,	management policies may be adjusted
address space management policies	by the community.
may be adjusted by the community.	

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.2.7. Address stockpiling	3.2.7. INR stockpiling
Stockpiling addresses is harmful to the	Stockpiling INRs is harmful to the
goals of conservation and fairness.	goals of conservation and fairness.
APNIC policies must prevent	APNIC policies must prevent
stockpiling and ensure efficient	stockpiling and ensure efficient
deployment of address space on the	deployment of INRs on the basis of
basis of immediate demonstrated	immediate demonstrated need.
need.	

Category: Editorial, Removal	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
3.3. Organizations seeking	3.3. Organizations seeking
address space from multiple	INRs from multiple IRs
IRs	
Organizations must obtain their address space from only one IR at a time. Organizations requesting address space from any IR must declare all the address space they currently hold, regardless of the source. Organizations making concurrent requests to more than one IR must declare the details of all of	Organizations must obtain their INRs from only one IR at a time. Organizations requesting INRs from any IR must declare all the address space they currently hold, regardless of the source. Organizations making concurrent requests to more than one IR must declare the details of all of
those requests.	those requests.
In certain circumstances (for example, where an organization is multihomed), strong technical reasons may justify an organization receiving address space from more than one source.	

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs. Proper multihoming means requesting resources directly from APNIC, so that text is not appropriate.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
4.0. Resource License	4.0. Resource License
It is contrary to the goals of this	It is contrary to the goals of this
document and is not in the interests of	document and is not in the interests of
the Internet community as a whole, for	the Internet community as a whole, for
Internet number resources to be	Internet Number Resources (INRs) to
considered freehold property.	be considered freehold property.
Internet resources are regarded as public resources that should only be distributed according to demonstrated need.	INRs are regarded as public resources that should only be distributed according to demonstrated need.
	The policies in this document are
The policies in this document are	based upon the understanding that
based upon the understanding that	INRs are licensed for use rather than
globally-unique unicast address space	owned.
is licensed for use rather than owned.	

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
4.1. License Renewal	4.1. License Renewal

Specifically, APNIC will delegate Internet resources on a 'license' basis, with licenses subject to renewal on a periodic basis (normally one year).

 That address space is properly registered at the time of renewal. Specifically, APNIC will delegate INRs on a 'license' basis, with licenses subject to renewal on a periodic basis (normally one year).

• That INRs is properly registered at the time of renewal.

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
4.1.1. Review	4.1.1. Review
In those cases where a requesting	In those cases where a requesting
organization is not using the address	organization is not using the INRs as
space as intended, or is showing bad	intended, or is showing bad faith in
faith in following through on the	following through on the associated
associated obligation, IRs reserve the	obligation, IRs reserve the right to not
right to not renew the license.	renew the license.

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
4.2. Closure and recovery	4.2. Closure and recovery
If an LIR holding APNIC address space ceases to provide Internet connectivity services, all of its address space must be returned to APNIC. It is the responsibility of the LIR (or any liquidator or administrator appointed to wind up the Member's business) to advise all of its customers that address space will be returned to APNIC, and that renumbering into new address space will be necessary.	If an LIR holding APNIC INRs ceases to provide Internet connectivity services, all of its INRs must be returned to APNIC. It is the responsibility of the LIR (or any liquidator or administrator appointed to wind up the Member's business) to advise all of its customers that INRs will be returned to APNIC, and that renumbering or other changes will be necessary.
In the case that a new LIR takes over the business or infrastructure of the closed LIR, the existing address space may be transferred to the new LIR, however such a transfer is subject to re-examination by APNIC and may be treated as a new address request process.	In the case that a new LIR takes over the business or infrastructure of the closed LIR, the existing INRs may be transferred to the new LIR, however such a transfer is subject to re- examination by APNIC and may be treated as a new INRs request process.

Category: Editorial, Operational	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
4.2.1. Recovery of unused	4.2.1. Recovery of unused
historical resources	historical resources
To recover these globally un-routed	APNIC will periodically and
resources and place them back in the	automatically monitor the INRs not
free pool for re-delegation, APNIC will	globally used for a reasonable period
contact networks responsible for	of time. In those cases, APNIC will
historical address space in the APNIC	contact network responsible for those
region that has not been globally	and if there is no justification, recover
routed since 1 January 1998. To	the INRs and place them back in the
recover un-routed historical AS	free pool for re-delegation.
numbers, APNIC will contact networks	
responsible for resources not globally	
used for a reasonable period of time.	

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs and following prop-017 intent to resolve the operational question.

Category: New, Operational	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
	4.2.2. Status of recovered
	historical resources
	Historical INRs, once recovered, will
	be re-classified as "Current resources"
	(2.5.1.).

Explanation: Resolves the operational question as requested by secretariat.

Category: Editorial	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
5.0. Resource Management	5.0. Resource Management
All NIRs and LIRs that receive address	All NIRs and LIRs that receive INRs
space from APNIC (either directly or	from APNIC (either directly or
indirectly) must adopt delegation	indirectly) must adopt delegation
policies that are consistent with the	policies that are consistent with the
policies described in this document.	policies described in this document.
NIRs and LIRs must ensure that address space for which they are responsible is only allocated or assigned subject to agreements consistent with the license provisions in this document. Also, NIRs must, wherever possible, apply slow start, assignment window, and second opinion policies to their own members in a manner consistent with the way	NIRs and LIRs must ensure that INRs for which they are responsible is only allocated or assigned subject to agreements consistent with the license provisions in this document. Also, NIRs must, wherever possible, apply slow start, assignment window, and second opinion policies to their own members in a manner consistent with the way APNIC applies such policies.

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs.

Category: Removal	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
5.2.1. Assignment window for	
LIRs	
APNIC and NIRs shall apply an	
assignment window mechanism to help LIRs understand and comply with	
APNIC policies and the address	
management goals.	
The assignment window indicates the maximum number of addresses an LIR	
may delegate to an end-user without	
first seeking a "second opinion". If an	
LIR wishes to make a delegation that	
exceeds its delegation window, the LIR must first submit a second opinion	
request.	
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LIRs start with a delegation window of	
zero, meaning all proposed	
delegations must first be approved.	
APNIC, or the relevant NIR, will	
regularly assess the proficiency of LIR	
staff in making delegations and seeking second opinions and will	
review the size of the assignment	
window accordingly. As the LIR staff	
become more proficient, the size of	
their assignment window may be	
raised.	
The maximum IPv4 assignment	
window given to any LIR will be a /19	
(8,192 addresses).	
If an LIR's staff appears to become	
less proficient (for example, due to the	
training of new staff or other relevant	
circumstances) then that LIR's	
assignment window may be temporarily reduced.	
Explanation: SOD doorn't apply to IDv6 as m	1 1 1.1 TD 4 . 1

Explanation: SOR doesn't apply to IPv6, as rules are clear, and there is no IPv4 space to be applied to ... In addition, LIRs, know their work. If they do it wrong, they will not get further allocations, or have problems in reviews, etc. Following sections should be renumbered accordingly.

Category: Edito	orial, Duplicated
Actual text:	Proposed text:
5.3.1. Requirements for IPv4	5.3.1. Requirements for INRs
addresses	•
IRs are responsible for promptly and accurately registering their address space use with APNIC as follows:	IRs are responsible for promptly and accurately registering their INRs use with APNIC as follows:
<ul> <li>All delegations from APNIC to the IR must be registered.</li> <li>All delegations to downstream IRs must be registered.</li> <li>Delegations made to networks greater than a /30 must be registered.</li> <li>Delegations made to networks of a /30 or less may be registered, at the discretion of the IR and the network administrator.</li> <li>Delegations to hosts may be registered, at the discretion of the IR and the end-user.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All delegations from APNIC to the IR must be registered.</li> <li>All delegations to downstream IRs must be registered.</li> <li>Delegations made to networks greater than a /30 (IPv4) or /48 (IPv6) must be registered.</li> <li>Smaller delegations may be registered, at the discretion of the IR and the network administrator.</li> <li>Delegations to hosts may be registered, at the discretion of the IR and the end-user.</li> </ul>
IRs can choose whether or not to designate this information "public". Customer registration details that are not designated "public" will not be generally available via the APNIC Whois Database. The database record will instead direct specific whois enquiries to the IR concerned.  5.3.1.1. Updating registration	IRs can choose whether or not to designate this information "public". Customer registration details that are not designated "public" will not be generally available via the APNIC Whois Database. The database record will instead direct specific whois enquiries to the IR concerned.  5.3.1.1. Updating registration
details	details
IRs must update their registration records when any of the registration information changes. This is the responsibility of the IR concerned. However, this responsibility may be formally assigned to the end-user as a condition of the original delegation.  5.3.2. Registration requirements for IPv6 addresses	IRs must update their registration records when any of the registration information changes. This is the responsibility of the IR concerned. However, this responsibility may be formally assigned to the end-user as a condition of the original delegation.
When an organization holding an IPv6 address allocation makes IPv6	

address assignments, it must register assignment information in a database. accessible by RIRs as appropriate (information registered by an RIR/NIR may be replaced by a distributed database for registering address management information in future). Information is registered in units of assigned /48 networks. When more than a /48 is assigned to an organization, the assigning organization is responsible for ensuring that the address space is registered in an RIR/NIR database. RIR/NIRs will use registered data to calculate the HD-Ratio at the time of application for subsequent allocation and to check for changes in assignments over time. IRs shall maintain systems and practices that protect the security of personal and commercial information that is used in request evaluation, but which is not required for public registration. Organizations that receive an allocation from APNIC can choose whether or not their customer assignment registrations should be publicly available. If the organization does not indicate a choice, or it chooses to hide its customer assignment registrations, then those records will not be visible in the public whois database. Whois queries on these records will return details of the allocation. 5.3.3. Registration requirements for AS Numbers All ASNs assigned must be publicly registered in the APNIC, or relevant NIR. Whois database. APNIC. or the relevant NIR, will create the aut-num

object.

All attributes of the aut-num object

must be properly registered in accordance with the APNIC or NIR whois database documentation. Without limiting these general requirements, Section 5.3.3.1 and Section 5.3.3.2. describe particular requirements for ASN registration.	
5.3.3.1. Registering routing	5.3.1.2. Registering routing
policy	policy
APNIC recommends that the routing policy of the AS is registered for each ASN assigned.	APNIC recommends that the routing policy of the AS is registered for each ASN assigned.
5.3.3.2. Updating registration	
details	
Organizations responsible for ASNs should update the aut-num object in the appropriate database if any of the registration information changes.	

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs and merged for the 3 types of INRs. Following section (5.3.4. Registering Contact Person) should be renumbered to 5.3.2.

Category: Editorial, Duplicated			
Actual text:	Proposed text:		
5.6. General requirements for	5.6. General requirements for		
requests	requests		
All requests for address space must be supported by documentation describing:	All requests for INRs must be supported by documentation describing:		
<ul> <li>The network infrastructure of the organization making the request,</li> <li>Any address space currently held by that organization (including Historical address space),</li> <li>Previous assignments made by that organization (including assignments made from Historical address allocations), and</li> <li>The intended use for the address space requested.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The network infrastructure and topology of the organization making the request.</li> <li>Addressing and routing plans.</li> <li>Any INRs currently held by that organization (including Historical address space).</li> <li>Previous assignments made by that organization (including assignments made from Historical address allocations).</li> <li>The intended use for the INRs requested.</li> </ul>		
In addition to this general requirement, more specific documentation may also	more specific documentation may also be requested to justify the request.		

be requested, as outlined below.	
5.6.1. Documentation	
To properly evaluate requests, IRs must carefully examine all relevant documentation relating to the networks in question. This documentation may include:	
<ul> <li>Network engineering plans</li> <li>Subnetting plans</li> <li>Descriptions of network topology</li> <li>Descriptions of network routing plans</li> <li>Equipment invoices and purchase orders</li> <li>Other relevant documents</li> </ul>	
All documentation should conform to a consistent standard and any estimates and predictions that are documented must be realistic and justifiable.	

Explanation: Shortened, matching the definition of INRs and merged.

Category: Editorial, Operational		
Actual text:	Proposed text:	
5.7.2. Allocations for	5.7.2. Allocations for	
experimental purposes	experimental purposes	
APNIC will allocate public Internet	APNIC will allocate public Internet	
resources to be used for experimental	resources to be used for experimental	
purposes. These experimental	purposes. These experimental	
allocations are subject to the eligibility	allocations are subject to the eligibility	
criteria, conditions, and restrictions	criteria, conditions, and restrictions	
described below. An experiment is	described below. An experiment is	
eligible for an allocation if it meets the	eligible for an allocation if it meets the	
criteria described in either 5.7.2.1 or	criteria described in either 5.7.2.1 or	
Section 5.7.2.2 below.	Section 5.7.2.2 below.	
	In the case of IPv4, no experimental	
	allocations will be provided from the	
	last /8.	

Explanation: IPv4 doesn't require more experiments when is already exhausted. It is more relevant to keep the last available addresses for new ISPs or organizations.

Category: Editorial		
Actual text:	Proposed text:	
8.1. IPv4 transfers within the	8.1. IPv4 transfers within the	

APNIC region	APNIC region
11.0. Transfer of IPv6	11.0. Transfer of IPv6
resources	resources
13.0. ASN Transfers	13.0. ASN Transfers

Explanation: As proposed by secretariat, the complete sections should be renumbered and moved to a new "Part 5" of the end of the policy manual (before the HD-Ratio appendix).

Category: Typos		
Actual text:	Proposed text:	
9.2.2. Account holders without	9.2.2. Account holders without	
existing IPv4 space	existing IPv4 space	
The allocation size, in case an address	The allocation size, in case an address	
block bigger than the default one (as	block bigger than the default one (as	
indicated in 9.2.1.) is requested, will be	indicated in 9.2.1.) is requested, will be	
based on the umber of users, the	based on the number of users, the	
extent of the organization's	extent of the organization's	
infrastructure, the hierarchical and	infrastructure, the hierarchical and	
geographical structuring of the	geographical structuring of the	
organization, the segmentation of	organization, the segmentation of	
infrastructure for security and the	infrastructure for security and the	
planned longevity of the allocation.	planned longevity of the allocation.	

Category: Typos		
Actual text:	Proposed text:	
9.3.1. Existing IPv6 address	9.3.1. Existing IPv6 address	
space holders	space holders	
Organizations that received /35 IPv6	Organizations that received /35 IPv6	
allocation under the previous IPv6	allocation under the previous IPv6	
address policy [RIRv6-Policies] are	address policy [RIRv6-Policies] are	
immediately entitled to have their	immediately entitled to have their	
allocation expanded to a /32 address	allocation expanded to a /32 address	
block, without providing justification, so	block, without providing justification, so	
long as they satisfy the criteria	long as they satisfy the criteria in	
inSection 9.2.2.	Section 9.2.2.	

Category: New, Operational	
Actual text:	Proposed text:
12.4. Providing ASN to	12.4. Providing ASN to
customer	customer
	5. The ASN could be transferred, instead of returned, in cases such as the customer using the ASN becomes an APNIC member.

Explanation: An ASN provided to a customer will not need to be returned in cases where the customer becomes an APNIC member and request its own resources. In this case, or

similar ones, it doesn't make sense that the customer need to change its ASN.

## Advantages of the proposal:

Fulfilling the objective above indicated and having a single policy proposal that resolves all those issues that are non-contentious.

Other proposal can be "spin-off" from this one for any contentious issues.

Disad	lvantages	of the	proposal	l:

None.

# **Impact on resource holders:**

None.

#### **References:**

For the end-site and related text, RIPE-NCC already adopted the proposal 2019-06: https://www.ripe.net/participate/policies/proposals/2019-06