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COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

Reserved and Blocked Names Policy

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1. Purpose of Policy

- 1.1 This Policy specifies domain names that may not be registered in the country code Top-Level Domain (ccTLD) of the State of Kuwait.
- 1.2 The Authority shall add, delete or modify the list of reserved names at any time it deems appropriate, in accordance with what is required by public interest.
- 1.3 This policy is directly related to domain registration Policy.
- 1.4 The Authority maintains the list of reserved names for public interest and security of the State of Kuwait.
- 1.5 Each domain name application is compared to this list electronically through the Internet Domain Registration System.

2. Explanations and Definitions

- 2.1 All terms contained in this Policy have definitions in the Executive Regulations for the registration of higher-level domains of the State code ccTLD of the State of Kuwait.
- 2.2 Reserved Name: A word or phrase that is prohibited to be used in Kuwaiti domain names in accordance with this Policy issued by the Authority.
- 2.3 List: Reserved names list prepared by the Authority under these procedures.

3. Policy Terms

- 3.1 The Authority has the right to establish procedures governing the creation and management of Reserved Names List.

- 3.2 Registration shall be made in accordance with the procedure specified by the Authority when a name is removed from the Reserved Names List.
- 3.3 The Authority reserves the right to adopt the applicable lists in the domain name registration's entities of other countries when preparing the Reserved Names List.
- 3.4 A reserved name may not be registered under Kuwaiti domains.
- 3.5 The Authority has the right to reject the registration or deletion of a domain name if it contains a reserved name.
- 3.6 The Authority has the right to publish the List or any part of it or its classifications in the manner it deems appropriate.
- 3.7 Any person may submit an application to add a name to the list, delete it or use it as an exception - by a decision of the Authority.

4. Reserved Domain Names

It means the names that are not available for registration under Kuwaiti domain names.

- 4.1 Names of public figures;
- 4.2 Names or numbers that are contrary to the laws of the State of Kuwait;
- 4.3 Names or numbers that are contrary to the laws and regulations in other countries;
- 4.4 Names that are inappropriate for registration because they are contrary to the public interest.

5. List of Reserved Names

Reserved names include the following classifications:

- 5.1 Geographical: Such as names of cities, provinces, regions and states.
- 5.2 Ambiguous: Sensitive or general words or phrases that can be interpreted in more than one way and may lead to its semantic ambiguity such as (ministry) or (Kuwaiti) or (Bank), etc.
- 5.3 Religious: Includes the names of religions, doctrines and sacred rites.
- 5.4 Illegal: Includes words and phrases that are against the laws and regulations in force in the State of Kuwait or undermines public morals or violates customs and traditions.
- 5.5 Related to domain name registration's service: Includes reserved words and phrases under international standards related to domain name registration's service.

6. Registration of Names /Words on Reserved and Prohibited Names List

- 6.1 The applicant may submit a letter to the accredited registrar to register an existing name on the list of reserved names, if the applicant is able to provide sufficient evidence to the accredited registrar. Then, submit it to the Authority (by the accredited registrar) that the applicant is authorized to register under appropriate legislation or authorization from inside the State.
- 6.2 The Authority reserves its absolute right to register any domain name containing any name or word contained in the Reserved Names List.

6.3 The Authority shall have the right to cancel any domain name that violates the provisions of this Policy or any other policy issued by the Authority.

7. Policy Review

This Policy has been prepared and published for the purposes of clarifying the reserved and blocked domain names of the Authority. The Authority may, at it deems appropriate, review and amend the procedures of this Policy at any time. Please note also that the applicant may submit a letter to register a name exists in the Reserved Names List.