

Policy proposal 2012-06

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The proposal in a nutshell

- Reverts the exact changes made «Run Out Fairly», no more, no less
 - Does not add a single word of policy text that was not present in ripe-449 (before 2012-06)
 - Does not remove a single word of policy text that was not added by 2009-03 «Run Out Fairly»

«Run Out Fairly» has done its job

- The intention of 2009-03 «Run Out Fairly» was:
 - [...] to gradually reduce the allocation and assignment periods in step with the expected life time of the IPv4 unallocated pool in order to address the perception of unfairness once the pool has run out
- But now, the pool has run out
 - The NCC no longer delegates IPv4 addresses to LIRs or End Users based on demonstrated need
 - 2010-02 «Allocations from the last /8» is responsible for providing «fairness» now

Reasons for reverting 2009-03

- 2009-03 (eventually) lowered the need period for PA **assignments** to three months
 - Assignments to LIR's customers / end users
 - Assignments to LIR's own infrastructure
- 2009-03 (eventually) lowered the need period for PA allocation **transfers** to three months
 - Likely to be increasingly relevant post depletion
- None of the above have currently any impact whatsoever on the NCC's unallocated IPv4 pool and the fairness of delegations from it

Another minor benefit

- The proposal will remove some sections of defunct policy text
 - «After this date, then this, but after another date, then that, but after yet another date then something else again, and now, for something completely different»
 - IPv4 policy document will still require major cosmetic surgery, though

Relation to proposal 2012-03

- 2012-03 seeks to increase the transfer need period to 24 months
- Does not conflict with «Revert Run Out Fairly»:
 - Current transfer policy (ripe-553, section 5.5) «outsources» the need period to section 5.0, which is actually describing NCC to LIR allocations
 - Of the two sections, 2012-06 only touches 5.0
 - 2012-03 specifies new text directly in section 5.5, thus overriding the referral to section 5.0
- If 2013-03 passes, this proposal's changes to section 5.0 will have no impact on effective policy

Summary of mailing list discussion

- It does not seem like a controversial proposal
- Disregarding myself, 6 individuals posted
 - 1 person explicitly supported the proposal
 - 3 people said positive things like «makes sense», «is sensible», and «would be good» (but made no explicit statement of support)
 - 1 person pointed out the overlap with 2012-03
 - 1 person participated in the discussion but did not express an opinion of the proposal either way

Questions?

Thank you!