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| •12th: Applications Open | **Jan** | |
| | **Feb** | |
| •11th-16th: ICANN San Jose | **Mar** | •GAC new gTLD web portal is active, and GAC members request log-in details |
| •12th: Applications Close | **Apr** | |
| •1st: ICANN Posts Complete Applications<br>•1st: ICANN notifies GAC that the new gTLD GAC Advice & Early Warning Periods have started, and passes necessary information on applications to the GAC<br>•1st: **GAC Early Warning/Advice Period Opens** | **May** | • GAC members start adding any Early Warnings to the web portal, on an agreed template (this triggers notifications to the GAC list, and helps other countries to coordinate their input) |
| •12th: Administrative Completeness Check Finishes<br>•24th -29th: ICANN Prague<br>•29th: **GAC Early Warning Period Closes**<br>•ICANN notifies the Board, the applicants and makes the Early Warnings public | **Jun** | •29th: Latest date for agreed GAC point of contact (e.g. Chair or Secretariat) to send Early Warnings to agreed ICANN point of contact |
| •20th: Deadline for applicants to respond to GAC Early Warnings (to receive maximum refund)<br>•24th: ICANN advises GAC of the status of applications that were the subject of Early Warnings (i.e. did any withdraw?) | **Jul** | •26th: Secretariat updates wiki/discussion space on the web portal for each application that was subject to an Early Warning and that was not withdrawn, and emails links to GAC members |
| | **Aug** | •GAC members use the wiki/discussion pages to coordinate and discuss positions on contentious applications |
| | **Sept** | •14th: GAC members who would like the GAC to provide advice about contentious strings should notify the GAC by this date (regardless of whether the application was subject to an early warning or not), to allow other GAC members to obtain necessary clearance for national positions |
| •14th-19th: ICANN Toronto | **Oct** | •GAC seeks consensus advice on contentious applications at face-to-face meeting in Toronto |
| •30th: **GAC Advice Period Closes** | **Nov** | •30th: Latest date for the GAC Chair to provide GAC advice on contentious applications to the ICANN Board |