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Joint Meeting: ICANN Board and SSAC

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Agenda

- SSAC Topics:

  - SAC113: SSAC Advisory on Private-Use TLDs

  - SAC112: Minority Statement on the Final Report of the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Phase 2 Expedited Policy Development Process

- Board Topic:

  - Enhancing the effectiveness of the Multistakeholder model

- Any other business?

SAC113: SSAC Advisory on Private-Use TLDs

Private-Use TLDs

- Previous SSAC advice in SAC062 is to use a sub-domain of a public domain name for internal, or private use, and that is still the best practice

- However, many enterprises and device vendors make ad hoc use of TLDs that are not present in the root zone when they intend the name for private use only

- DNS has no explicit provision for internally-scoped names

- The SSAC recommends that the ICANN Board ensure a string is identified using criteria provided.

- SAC113 does not recommend a specific string for reservation

Private-Use TLDs

- SSAC proposes the string must meet the following criteria:

  ○ Valid DNS label

  ○ Not already delegated in the root zone

  ○ Not confusingly similar to another TLD in existence

  ○ Relatively short, memorable, and meaningful

- The SSAC believes that the reservation of a private string will help in the following ways:

  ○ Reduce the ad hoc usage

  ○ Provide greater predictability for network administrators and equipment vendors

  ○ Over time, reduce erroneous queries to root servers

SAC112: Minority Statement on the Final Report of the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Phase 2 Expedited Policy Development Process

Minority Statement on the Final Report of the Temp Spec

- SSAC cannot endorse the Final Report as it currently stands

- SSAC believes that a much better system is possible within the limitations imposed by the GDPR and that the EPDP has not provided outcomes that are reasonably suitable for security and stability

- The Final Report does not recommend a commitment to finish unaddressed charter items

- The SSAC objects to four specific recommendations:
  - Recommendation 6: Priority Levels
  - Recommendation 10: Determining Variable SLAs for response time for SSAD
  - Recommendation 12: Disclosure Requirement
  - Recommendation 14: Financial Sustainability

Enhancing the effectiveness of the Multistakeholder model

Discussion / Questions from the SSAC

- What is the progress for developing a process for determining overall prioritization of activities across the community?

- The SSAC is thinking about the potential benefits of incorporating the aspects of the proposed Operational Design Assessment into Phase 3 of the Action Request Register (Evaluate & Consider) for SSAC advice that requires more extensive implementation efforts for ICANN org

- What is the status of streamlining the reviews for the ICANN community?

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Questions?