

**ICANN Affirmation of Commitments Security, Stability & Resiliency Review Team  
Application for the position of Volunteer Review Team member  
Motivation Letter for Rodney Joffe**

**To: Dr. Rod Beckstrom & Ms. Heather Dryden**

**Applicant Information**

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I am hereby volunteering and applying for the position of Review Team Member for the 2010 ICANN Affirmation of Commitments – Security, Stability and Resiliency Team (SSR RT). I seek the endorsement of the ccNSO, and secondarily the gNSO, for my application, and am attaching the required information for those constituencies.

As an active participant in the operation of the Internet, through both my employment as Senior Vice President and Senior Technologist of Neustar, Inc., and my community and industry activities as a security professional, I have a deep concern for the safety of the Internet as a whole. I have dedicated the last 20 years of my life to ensuring its survival. I have been involved in the operation of the Internet as founder of both a major Internet Service Provider (Genuity), and the largest managed DNS Provider, UltraDNS.

In my role at Neustar, I oversee the security strategy and technical direction of the Internet groups within Neustar. Neustar operates the registry for .biz, .us, and .tel, and provides global DNS services for over 20 TLDs, and tens of millions of domain names. The DNS platform at Neustar is based on an architecture that I designed and created over 12 years ago, and the core technique I created and implemented to support resiliency and stability at that time, the use of Anycast in the DNS, has now been acknowledged and adopted as the best practice by most of the DNS world. In 12 years, this platform has not been the subject of a single security advisory.

I have been involved in the ICANN world since its earliest days, and have remained actively engaged since then, serving 3 terms on the NomComm, as well as serving for a period on the RSTEP. I am also now entering my 7<sup>th</sup> year as a member of the SSAC.

I also serve personally on a number of working groups and committees, including chairing the Conficker Working Group, have testified on cybersecurity before Congress, and contributing to specialized Threat Focus Cells.

In every case, my overriding concern has been on maintaining the integrity of the Internet above all commercial concerns. I believe that the survival of the Internet is critical to every nation in the world, and as such I have no hesitation in offering my time and effort in supporting the SSR-RT. I am willing to commit to the 8 month 10 hour per week (or more) requirement, and have the full support of my employer. I consider the opportunity to serve as both a duty, as well an honor, and should I be appointed, I pledge my best efforts and full attention.

Respectfully submitted

Rodney Joffe