Council Small Team: Considering Next Steps Regarding DNS Abuse

WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN74 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The small team is expected to conduct one working session on Thursday, 16 June 2022 at 13:15-14:30 CEST. Please check the ICANN74 meeting schedule for the confirmed time. During this session, the small team is expected to discuss its analysis of community input received and potentially proposed next steps for Council consideration.

WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The GNSO Council agreed during ICANN72 that it wished to initiate a small team on DNS abuse, to help recommend next steps for the Council, if any. The small team received an **assignment form**, which recognized the numerous community efforts already underway focusing on DNS abuse, but sought to focus the team's attention on the narrow question of whether there are DNS abuse issues that are inadequately mitigated and best addressed specifically via policy development.

WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

The small team began meeting in February 2022 and as its first step, sent outreach to community groups, asking them to articulate what DNS abuse problem(s) exist that specifically require policy development to be properly addressed. The small team received inputs from the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC), the DNS Abuse Institute, and a number of the GNSO's Stakeholder Groups and Constituencies. During this time, the small team also reached out to ICANN Compliance with a number of questions, with the intention of better understanding the landscape of contractual enforcement of DNS abuse-related provisions. The small team is considering the input received from the various community groups and taking into account the responses from ICANN Compliance.

WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?

In reviewing the input received, the small team will seek to summarize its analysis of that input, identify themes if any, and determine if the small team is able to make any recommendations to the GNSO Council for next steps.

MORE INFORMATION

- **Small Team Assignment Form**

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