



12 June 2018

Mr. Cherine Chalaby  
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors

RE: ICANN Board Advice Register and Status of SSAC Historical Advice to the ICANN Board

Dear Cherine,

We are writing to provide the ICANN Board an update on the status of five Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC) advice items. As you may recall, the ICANN organization reviewed historical advice from SSAC to the Board from 2010 to 2015. The Board provided a status update to SSAC on the items from this period in October 2016.

(<https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/correspondence/crocker-to-faltstrom-19oct16-en.pdf>).

The ICANN organization would like to confirm to the Board that ICANN has implemented six of the recommendations which were previously identified as open. This letter acts as formal notice of their completion. Please see the appendix of this letter for more information on these items, including the updated status and implementation notes. We will also update the 'Recommendations to the Board' page with this information at <https://features.icann.org/board-advice>.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Cyrus Namazi".

Cyrus Namazi  
VP, Domain Name Services & Industry Engagement  
Global Domains Division

cc: Rod Rasmussen, Chair, SSAC

Reference Number	Subject	Recommendation	Status	Action(s) Taken
<a href="#">SAC060</a>	SAC060: Active Variant TLDs Recommendation 3	ICANN should concentrate foremost on the rules for the root zone (versus rules for TLD registry operators).	Closed	<p>ICANN agrees with this recommendation, which is being implemented through the development of the IDN Root Zone Label Generation Ruleset using the Root Zone LGR Procedure.</p> <p>On 6 June 2017, a public comment period opened on Version 2 Label of the Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone (RZ-LGR-2). The period closed on 24 July 2017, and an ICANN organization report was published on 1 August 2017 (<a href="https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/report-comments-rz-lgr-2-01aug17-en.pdf">https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/report-comments-rz-lgr-2-01aug17-en.pdf</a>). Root Zone Label Generation Rules 2.0 (RZ-LGR-2) is now available, covering Arabic, Ethiopic, Georgian, Khmer, Lao and Thai scripts: <a href="https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/root-zone-lgr-2015-06-21-en">https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/root-zone-lgr-2015-06-21-en</a>.</p> <p>Addition communities are working towards finalizing remaining script proposals, which will be integrated as these are finalized.</p>
<a href="#">SAC074</a>	SAC074: SSAC Advisory on Registrant Protection: Best Practices for Preserving Security and Stability in the Credential Management Lifecycle - Item 1	As part of regular reports, the ICANN Compliance Department should publish data about the security breaches that registrars have reported in accordance with the 2013 Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA), paragraph 3.20.	Closed	<p>On 4 Feb 2018, the ICANN Board took a resolution directing the President and CEO, or his designee(s), to implement the advice as described in the scorecard: <a href="https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-implementation-recs-ssac-advice-scorecard-04feb18-en.pdf">https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-implementation-recs-ssac-advice-scorecard-04feb18-en.pdf</a>. Per the direction from the ICANN Board, the ICANN org Contractual Compliance department will add the requested data to its existing public reporting.</p>
<a href="#">SAC074</a>	SAC074: SSAC Advisory on Registrant Protection: Best Practices for Preserving Security and Stability in the	A provision similar to 2013 RAA paragraph 3.20 should be incorporated into all	Closed	<p>On 4 Feb 2018, the ICANN Board took a resolution directing the President and CEO, or his designee(s), to implement the advice as described in the scorecard: <a href="https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-">https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-</a></p>

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	Credential Management Lifecycle - Item 2	future registry contracts, with similar statistics published.		<a href="#">implementation-recs-ssac-advice-scorecard-04feb18-en.pdf</a> . Per the direction from the ICANN Board, the ICANN org will include this recommendation in the proposed changes to the registry agreement during the next bilateral negotiation.
<a href="#">SAC074</a>	SAC074: SSAC Advisory on Registrant Protection: Best Practices for Preserving Security and Stability in the Credential Management Lifecycle - Item 3	Future RAA deliberations should encourage stronger authentication practices, specifically the use of multi-factor authentication.	Closed	On 4 Feb 2018, the ICANN Board took a resolution directing the President and CEO, or his designee(s), to implement the advice as described in the scorecard: <a href="https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-implementation-recs-ssac-advice-scorecard-04feb18-en.pdf">https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/resolutions-implementation-recs-ssac-advice-scorecard-04feb18-en.pdf</a> . Per the direction from the ICANN Board, the ICANN org will request the Registrars to consider contractual requirements relating to the authentication practices of registrants in a future negotiation of the Registrar Accreditation Agreement.
<a href="#">SAC084</a>	SAC084: SSAC Comments on Guidelines for the Extended Process Similarity Review Panel for the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process	The SSAC recommends that the ICANN Board not accept the proposed guidelines for the EPSRP, as those guidelines represent a threat to the security and stability of the DNS. The Board should request a review of the EPSRP to determine why its proposed guidelines do not respect the principles of conservatism, inclusion, and stability.	Closed	On 17 August 2017, SSAC and ccNSO issued a joint response to the ICANN Board on the Extended Process Similarity Review Panel for the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process ( <a href="https://ccnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/field-attached/epsrp-final-response-17aug17-en.pdf">https://ccnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/field-attached/epsrp-final-response-17aug17-en.pdf</a> ) which supersedes the recommendations from SAC084.  On 29 October 2017, the ICANN Board took a resolution amending the Final Implementation Plan for IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process as suggested in the Joint ccNSO SSAC Response. The President and CEO, or his Designee(s), is directed to incorporate the amendment into the Implementation Plan previously adopted by the Board on 30 October 2009 (and amended on 5 November 2013) and implement the amendment as soon as practicable.