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Date: Wednesday, July 17, 2019
To: Cyrus Namazi

Subject: ICANN org's preparation toward implementation of a new round of gTLDs

Dear Cyrus,

Thank you for sharing your informational email about the readiness of ICANN org to support future rounds of new gTLDs. We reviewed the information, focusing on the aspects that fall within the scope of the RSSAC. In particular, we note that item 2.5 states that, “[t]here will be no changes to the 1,000 TLDs/year maximum delegation rate.”

The RSSAC maintains its view that, “[d]elegations ‘per annum’ is the wrong way to think about the problem because it could lead to very sudden changes depending on its implementation. It would be better to think in terms of changes over smaller periods of time (e.g., monthly). [...] The rate of change is more important than absolute magnitude.”

We encourage you and your Global Domains Division (GDD) colleagues to refer to RSSAC031 for a more detailed response to the GNSO New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process Working Group and a historical overview of previous RSSAC advice on this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification or further information.

Best regards,

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RSSAC031 - <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/rssac-031-02feb18-en.pdf>