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Subject: SSAC2023-15: SSAC's Participation in the Customer Standing Committee

To: Jennifer Bryce, Project Manager, OCTO, ICANN org

On 18 May 2023, the SSAC received a request from ICANN org for appointment of members and liaisons to the Customer Standing Committee (CSC).

In SSAC2022-05 on 23 June 2022, the SSAC advised that it had not found any security or stability issues from 2021–2022 within SSAC's remit that require continual SSAC participation in the CSC. The SSAC further advised that it would not send a liaison to the CSC.

In reviewing the CSC monthly reports for the period 2022–2023, the SSAC has noted these do not contain anything to suggest the focus has changed in the last year. Therefore, at this time, we see that SSAC presentation remains unnecessary.

ICANN Bylaws Section 17.2 (c) states:

Each of the following organizations may also appoint one liaison to the CSC in accordance with the rules and procedures of the appointing organization: (i) GNSO (from the Registrars Stakeholder Group or the Non-Contracted Parties House), (ii) ALAC, (iii) either the NRO or ASO (as determined by the ASO), (iv) GAC, (v) RSSAC, (vi) SSAC and (vii) any other Supporting Organization or Advisory Committee established under these Bylaws.

Given that the SSAC's participation in the CSC is not mandatory, the SSAC has decided that for the 2023–2025 term, it will not send a liaison to the CSC. Instead, the SSAC suggests that if the CSC is considering any security or stability issues that are within the SSAC's remit, then a request should be sent to the SSAC Chair for advice.

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