

RrSG Input: <u>Second IANA Naming Function</u> Review Team (IFR2) Initial Report

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The RrSG appreciates the work of the Second IANA Naming Function Review Team (IFR2) and the opportunity to comment on the Initial Report. We support the findings of the IFRT2 that PTI "operates reliably, efficiently, and serves the needs of IANA Naming Function customers" and agree that some clarifications to the IANA Naming Functions Contract can prove beneficial.

IFRT2 Finding 1: DNSSEC Policy and Practice

The RrSG supports the clear articulation of responsibility for policy, standards, and best practices, as well as efforts to future-proof the contract by reducing overly prescriptive language that is subject to potential change. As such, the RrSG supports these Recommendations to remove specific DNSSEC operational details from the IANA Naming Function Contract and to also identify and point to the relevant policy authority. The RrSG anticipates that a community based mechanism would determine the relevant authority and supports this work being done.

IFRT2 Finding 2: Contract Amendment Transparency

The RrSG strongly supports making the amended Contract publicly available. This is in keeping with ICANN's fundamental standards of transparency and accountability.

IFRT2 Finding 3: Frequency of Reviews

The RrSG is sensitive to the issue of review timing overlapping with implementation of the previous review, and supports the adjustment of the review period to accommodate more time for implementation and consideration of the effects of prior changes. Amending the required starting point of the Review to be tied to the most recent (prior) submission of the Final Report to the ICANN Board of Directors instead of to the start date of that prior Review is an appropriate adjustment.

IFRT2 Incidental Findings

The RrSG has no specific comments and offers our support for these Incidental Findings.

Thank you,

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