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Subject: FW: Status of RPKI Interoperability and Global Trust Anchor Testbeed with IANA

Dear Russ,

The NRO has formally notified ICANN that it is putting a temporary moratorium on the RPKI GTA sandbox engineering and testing work that the five RIRs and ICANN have been exploring. As per the email from the NRO's chair, the RIRs will continue to participate in general RPKI work and its standardization within the IETF. The email from the NRO to ICANN is attached below for your reference.

We appreciate the support that the IAB has given to the discussions related to planning a GTA testbed and hope that we can continue to discuss with Alia and Richard some of the technical issues that surfaced during our planning discussions with the technical representatives from the RIRs. ICANN stands ready to resume work with the RIRs to test the interoperability and functionality of a RPKI global trust anchor when the NRO and the individual RIRs are prepared to restart the activity.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the postponement of this activity.

Best regards,
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Dear Fadi, dear Elise,

As you are aware, the RIRs have over the last months worked together with the IANA on a "sandbox" system to test interoperability and functionality of a global trust anchor for RPKI.

Unfortunately not all RIRs have been able to participate equally; the RIPE NCC has been instructed not to work on global trust anchor functionality, for the time being, while ARIN has had to reprioritise its engineering efforts towards other projects for now.

The resulting imbalance of resources the RIRs are able to spend we believe is not conducive to a stable and successful global scale test of the RPKI system, to which we remain dedicated.

So it is with regret that we inform you that the RIRs will put a temporary moratorium on RPKI GTA sandbox engineering and testing work.

Please note that this moratorium does not extend on general RPKI work; The RIRs will however remain supportive of and will take active part in the RPKI standardisation work within the IETF.

Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions or comments.

Kind regards,

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