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Andrew Sullivan
Executive Director, ISOC

Re: ISOC, IETF Trust, and the IANA Trademarks

Dear Andrew,

We at ICANN are following the news of the Ethos Capital's agreement with ISOC/ PIR. We will, of course, wait for PIR to follow its contractual obligations with ICANN as it relates to the operation of the .ORG registry.

As it relates to our relationship with ISOC and the IETF Trust, I write to state ICANN's expectation that the IANA-related trademarks and domain name registrations that were transferred to the IETF Trust as part of the IANA Stewardship Transition (the IANA marks) are not impacted by ISOC's (or the IETF Trust's) anticipated relationship with Ethos Capital.

Please confirm that the IANA marks remain with the IETF Trust, and the expectations and agreements for the IETF Trust's management of the IANA marks are unchanged as a result of ISOC's new relationship and financial arrangements with Ethos Capital and PIR.

As part of the I* group, I look forward to your continued coordination and open communication on these topics of high interest to the Internet's ecosystem. But personally, I remain surprised that even after the announcement, I have not heard from you directly about this major development.

Best regards,



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